

**AUTHORIZE TUITION PAYMENTS TO NATIONAL-LOUIS UNIVERSITY  
FOR THE STRIVING READERS GRANT**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Authorize tuition payments for Chicago Public School teachers taking courses at National-Louis University (University) under the Striving Readers Grant awarded by the United States Department of Education

(USDOE) at a cost not to exceed the aggregate amount of \$341,000 for a period beginning October 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2011. National-Louis was selected on a non-competitive basis because of its course offerings and its previous participation with the Striving Readers project (the Project). No written agreement is required for these tuition payments. Information pertinent to this matter is stated below.

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**PAYMENT PERIOD:** Tuition payments are authorized for University courses scheduled from October 1, 2006

**PARTICIPANTS:** Under this Board Report approximately 32 participants (teachers, Striving Readers

coordinators, and or principals) from the 32 participating schools will take 24 semester hours of coursework that will apply to a State of Illinois endorsement as a Reading Teacher on regular or special certificates. Each participant from this project shall sign an application or agreement that commits him/her

will be provided as per the Board for further payments made on their behalf under the project in

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

*Inspector General. Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 405 U.S.C. § 104*

*12.4. The Inspector General of the Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and*