Financial Affairs Richard H. Hinds, Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: AWARD REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 153-AA10 - SUPPORTED **EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS WITH** DISABILITIES

The purpose of this Request For Proposals, opened on May 17, 2001, is to establish a contract, with an agency, to provide supported employment services, for the education of students with moderate to severe disabilities, for the Division of Exceptional Student Education. This is a term proposal which states that the Board may purchase quantities, as may be required, at the unit price proposed, but is not obligated to purchase any guaranteed amount. Of 21 vendors sent proposal forms or card notices of this advertised proposal, 3 responded, with 1 proposal meeting specifications, 1 non-responsive proposal and 1 no proposal.

Fund Source 0100-General

M/WBE Eligibility None

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, AWARD Request For Proposals No. 153-AA10 – SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES, to establish a contract, with an agency, to provide supported employment services, for the education of students with moderate to severe disabilities, for the Division of Exceptional Student Education, during the term of the proposal, effective July 1, 2001, through June 30, 2002, as follows:

1. EASTER SEALS MIAMI-DADE, INC.
1475 N.W. 14 AVENUE
MIAMI, FL 33125 ESTIMATE \$200,000
OWNER: JOAN L. BORNSTEIN, PRESIDENT/C.E.O.

Highest Rated Proposal:

Supported Employment Services @ \$20 per hour Total hours: 10,000.

2. Authorize the Bureau of Procurement and Materials Management to purchase up to the total estimated amount of \$200,000.

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