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Ronald D. Leonhardt City Clerk City of Milwaukee City Hall, Room 205 200 E. Wells St. Milwaukee, WI 53202

RE: Application for Charter School Status of Darrell L. Hines College Preparatory Academy of Excellence

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

At its meeting of December 3, 2001, the Charter School Review Committee voted on the charter school application of the Darrell L. Hines College Preparatory Academy of Excellence. Pursuant to Section 330-15 of the Code of Ordinances, the Committee found that the application complied with the technical requirements of Sections 330-5 and 330-7, that the school will operate an education program that has a reasonable prospect of providing Milwaukee children a good education, and that the school possesses an appropriate governance structure, sound system of management, acceptable budget and budget process, and qualified body of administrators, teachers and staff. Accordingly, under Section 330-17, the Committee voted (5-0) to recommend to the Common Council that the charter school application be granted.

On behalf of the Committee, pursuant to Section 330-17-1-a, I am transmitting to you the Committee's report, findings, and recommendations on this application. As we discussed, I will transmit the text of the application, and other related materials, within a few days.

On the Committee's behalf, pursuant to Section 330-17-1-a, I am also requesting that you prepare and introduce a Council motion, as provided in Section 330-23, that approves the application of the Darrell L. Hines College Preparatory Academy of Excellence for charter school status. As specified in Section 330-23, the motion should (a) express the Common Council's approval of the Committee's recommendation to grant charter school status to the applicant, (b) express the Common Council's approval of the proposed contract submitted by the City Attorney and attached to the Common Council file, and (c) authorize and direct the appropriate City officials to executive the proposed contract.