DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA LIBRARY DETERMINATION & FINDINGS FOR MANDATORY SET-ASIDE OF CONTRACTS \$250,000.00 OR LESS

1. AUTHORIZATION

DC Official Code Section § 2-218.44 and 2-218.45

2. MINIMUM NEED

The District of Columbia Public Library (DCPL) has a need for a vendor for its Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) book giveaway for Summer Reading 2017

3. CONTRACTOR

Scholastic, Inc.

4. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE

\$18,054.00

3/2/2017

5. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY AWARD TO OTHER THAN A CERTIFIED SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE) OR CERTIFIED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (CBE) CONTRACTOR

DCPL Office of Procurement issued a Request for Quote (RFQ) on March 1, 2017. The vendor, Scholastic Inc., has the right under copyright and is the sole source provider of books and other related products that DCPL will be distributing as part of its Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) book giveaway program in FY-17.

Therefore, a purchase order was issued on March 2, 2017 to Scholastic, Inc.

6. CERTIFICATION BY THE CONTRACT SPECIALIST

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the procurement of goods and services from other than a SBE or CBE contractor in accordance with DC Official Code Section 2-218.44 and 2-218.45 and recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve this proposed action.

Darryn A. Martin Contract Specialist

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the DCPL Procurement Regulations, DC Official Code Section 2-218.44 and 2-218.45, I hereby determine that the award of this procurement action for the goods or services described herein is in the best interest of the District of Columbia Public Library.

Date

Diane Wooden

Chief Procurement Officer