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In Control: Community Action Advisory Board Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Department of Human Services

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Melody Woosley

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Review of the Jule Sugarman Distinguished Staff Award Process

SUMMARY:

This item presents the following from the Department of Human Services (DHS) Head Start, Early Head Start, and Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership programs for action by the Community Action Advisory Committee (CAAB).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Jule Sugarman was one of the founders of the Head Start Program. Mr. Sugarman led the program for its first five years and served as the Executive Secretary of the 13-member planning panel that was commissioned by President Lyndon B. Johnson to create Head Start as part of the War on Poverty. Following the advice of Sgt. Shriver of the Office of Economic Opportunity "to write

Head Start across this land so that no Congress or president will ever destroy it." Mr. Sugarman oversaw the increase of enrollment in the program to more than double the projected number of participants, starting with 560,000 children in the first year versus a target of only 250,000. This award is named for Mr. Jule Sugarman, in order for parents/guardians to honor direct service staff who exceed expectations and contribute to the success and growth of the City of San Antonio Department of Human Services Head Start program every day.

ISSUE:

Rules and regulations for the Head Start, Early Head Start, and Early Start-Child Care Partnership grants as set forth by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) require the CAAB to review programmatic actions to oversee certain key responsibilities

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no anticipated impact to the general fund as a result of these actions.

ALTERNATIVES:

The review of the items included in this memorandum are required for program compliance with U.S. Department of Health and Human Services rules and regulations for Head Start, Early Head Start, and Early Head Start- Child Care Partnership programs

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff will present a briefing on this item subject to possible action by the CAAB. Staff recommends review and approval of the items included in this memorandum