SUBJECT: Consideration and possible approval of the 2025-2026

Memorandum of Understanding between the Pasadena ISD and Good Reason Houston with Pasadena ISD

contributing \$36,000 from Title I funds.

BACKGROUND: The purpose of this partnership is to support Pasadena

ISD in increasing enrollment in high-quality Pre-K programs through strategic goal setting, data-driven decision-making, and focused outreach. This work includes adopting a districtwide goal to enroll 70% of eligible students by 2030, increasing Pre-K 4 enrollment using supply and demand data to target priority zip codes, and designing a strategic plan to pilot Pre-K 3.

Good Reason Houston will support Pasadena ISD in establishing a Pre-K task force to guide and coordinate efforts across departments. This partnership will conduct a comprehensive supply and demand analysis to identify service gaps and inform strategic planning. Based on the findings, Pasadena ISD will develop a Pre-K 3 pilot and a long-term expansion plan, ensuring that growth is responsive to community needs and campus capacity. In addition, the initiative will implement targeted marketing strategies to boost Pre-K 4 enrollment, while also producing cost projections and a sustainability framework. These efforts will help ensure Pasadena ISD can effectively maintain and expand its Pre-K programs

over time.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The total cost of the project is \$72,000. Pasadena ISD

will allocate \$36,000 in Title I funds toward the initiative and Good Reason Houston will contribute \$36,000 to

support implementation.

RECOMMENDATION: We recommend approval of the 2025-2026

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