Background Information:

On behalf of the schools and offices throughout the Harford County Public School District, The Purchasing Department is requesting a decision to approve the contract as a result of RFP #20-SEH-020 for Arts, Crafts, Framing and Related Services to The Michaels Companies located at 8000 Bent Branch Drive, Irving, Texas 75063. This contract will be promoted and used on a national level through a partnership with National Intergovernmental Purchasing Alliance Company, d/b/a OMNIA Partners, Public Sector.

HCPS currently does not have a contract that encompasses Arts, Crafts, Framing and Related Services on this scale.

It is anticipated that the total annual expenditure will be in excess of $100,000. This contract will be utilized on an as-needed basis.

Discussion:

The products and services catalog covered under this contract provides a comprehensive offering of arts, crafts, framing and related services such as paint and painting supplies, clay and pottery supplies, drawing supplies, beads, adhesives and glue, poster and display boards, framing, and other miscellaneous items and services.

Omnia Partners, Public Sector will market this contract on a national scale to be used by various other public entities.

This contract has a two (2) year base term and with the option for renewal for up to two (2) additional, two (2) year renewal periods.

The funding source for these products and services will vary based on the needs of various schools, offices and funding availability.

Superintendent’s Recommendation:

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the contract as a result of RFP #20-SEH-020 for Arts, Crafts, Framing and Related Services to the Michaels Companies, in partnership with Omnia Partners, Public Sector.