1. **PURPOSE**: To establish the method used to distribute Achievement Awards for classified employees covered by the MAPE, MMA, MNA bargaining agreements and the Commissioners Plan. Achievement Awards exist to compensate employees for meritorious performance.

2. **Eligibility**:
   
   A. Each bargaining agreement allows for a percentage of current employees to receive achievement awards
   
   B. The position must have been authorized the beginning of the fiscal year.

3. **Criteria**:
   
   A. Increases will be awarded within a results-oriented management or standards of performance system.
   
   B. Awards will be administered in a manner that will encourage and recognize excellence among employees.
   
   C. Granting of Achievement Awards is based on the funding being available.

4. **Procedure**:
   
   A. In February Human Resources will provide the President’s Cabinet with a roster of individuals eligible for achievement awards.

   B. Cabinet members will make recommendations for awards within their area after conferring with appropriate supervisors regarding employee’s performance.

   C. After conferring with the Cabinet, The President will make the final decision by April 15.

   D. The President will notify Human Resources of the final decision. The Human Resources Office will process increases and prepare notification for the appropriate Cabinet Member’s signature.

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