

May 1, 2019

Honorable Pedro A. Rivera Secretary Pennsylvania Department of Education 333 Market Street Harrisburg, PA 17126

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to Section 695-A(e) of Act 55 of 2017, I am very pleased to resubmit for your review and approval the Financial Improvement Plan for Erie Public Schools.

Consistent with the requirements set forth in the statute, the Financial Improvement Plan and accompanying appendices includes performance goals, benchmarks and timetables to improve the financial performance and ensure the fiscal solvency of the school district. The Plan also addresses all the points set out in your letter of March 18, 2019 disapproving the initial Financial Improvement Plan that was submitted on January 31, 2019.

I again want to extend my thanks and appreciation to Dr. David Volkman and the PDE staff that facilitated the development of the Plan. I particularly want to thank Lori Graham for the indispensable assistance she provided with the revised Plan.

As always, I stand ready to answer any questions or address any issues regarding the Financial Improvement Plan that may arise during your review and look forward to continuing to work with PDE and Erie Public Schools to implement an approved Plan that will ensure the future fiscal solvency of the District.

Sincerely,

Charles B. Zogby
Financial Administrator
Frie Public Schools