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June 16, 2014

Mary Pichetti
Director of Construction Management
MA School Building Authority
40 Broad Street, Suite 500
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Dear Ms. Pichetti:

The City of Haverhill and the Haverhill School Committee have applied for a grant to construct a new Caleb Dustin Hunking Middle School. In accordance with G.L. Chapter 70B, Section 6(6) the Commissioner must certify "...that adequate provisions have been made in the school project for children with disabilities, as defined in section 1 of chapter 71B...".

Staff at the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (ESE) has reviewed the architectural plans and the program description that was provided to ESE on April 25, 2014 to document planned spaces for special education programs in this project. With the additional space provided by the new construction, adequate space will be available to enhance current programming and provide appropriate locations, access and services to the middle school population. We are satisfied that the plans for this new school will provide the district with the opportunity to improve programs and services to its special education school population. I therefore, certify that this school project has been planned to adequately provide appropriate space to serve the programs and school populations referenced in G.L. Chapter 70B, Section 6(6) noted above.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C M Lynch".

Christine M. Lynch, Director
School Governance and Facility Support

c: James F. Scully, Superintendent
Darlene Lynch, ESE
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