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Commissioner Mike Morath  
Texas Education Agency  
1701 N. Congress Avenue  
Austin, TX 78701

The Honorable  
Dr. Keven Ellis  
Chair of the State Board of Education  
1701 N. Congress Avenue  
Austin, TX 78701

Dear Commissioner Morath and Dr. Ellis:

I am pleased to write this letter of support for **7Cs Academy**, a proposed preschool through eighth grade open-enrollment charter school in San Antonio.

I had the pleasure of learning about 7Cs Academy from the Founder and proposed Superintendent, Dr. Nathan Balasubramanian. I believe the educational philosophy of 7Cs Academy is sound and that Dr. Balasubramanian has a strong plan in place to ensure that every student will become an expert in the 7Cs: Character, Competencies, Communication, Critical Thinking, Collaboration, Creativity, and Citizenship. 7Cs Academy's child-centered, hands-on approach to learning will complement an explicit evidence-based instructional model grounded in cognitive and neuroscience theories to equip students with both soft skills and advanced content knowledge. This is the kind of school we need to promote and support for all students.

The families of San Antonio need schools like 7Cs Academy, which will hold the bar for excellence high and ensure every child is on a pathway to a successful and fulfilling future. I recommend 7Cs Academy for approval by the Texas Education Agency and believe this school will provide a unique educational opportunity for our community.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 210.865.4007 or [will@willharte.com](mailto:will@willharte.com).

Sincerely,

Will Harte  
Vice Chairman  
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