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January 20th, 2021

To:

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

Subject: Letter of Support for 7Cs Academy

Dear Commissioner Morath:

I am writing this letter in strong support of 7Cs Academy to start a PreK – 8 public charter school in San Antonio, Texas.

Dr. Balasubramanian and I spent quality at our Live Oaks campus in October 2020. I know that visit and his subsequent conversation with Headmaster Audelo influenced his decision to use Dimensions Math® at 7Cs Academy.

I am impressed by the thoughtfulness of the educational program of 7Cs Academy that focuses on the "why" with the 7Cs: Character, Competencies, Communication, Critical Thinking, Collaboration, Creativity, and Citizenship; their guided inquiry learning model with a STEM focus; and the evidence-based instructional design model with explicit instruction that shows "how" they will ensure all students are served well.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (848) 333-8432 or via e-mail at lan.Nolan@greatheartstx.org if I can be of more assistance.

We sincerely hope you see the benefit that 7Cs Academy will bring to the students and their families in San Antonio.

Respectfully,

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