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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES

July 13, 2020

Honorable Carmen Ayala, Ph.D. State Superintendent of Education Illinois State Board of Education 100 North 1st Street Springfield, Illinois 62777 kclarke@isbe.net

Dear State Superintendent Ayala:

This letter grants final approval under Section 421(b) of the General Education Provisions Act for grant award H027A180072 and H173A180101.

The Department received your June 11, 2020 request on behalf of the Illinois State Board of Education for a waiver extending the period of availability for Federal fiscal year (FFY) 2018 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B grant award funds.

With this approval, the FFY 2018 IDEA Part B grant award funds will be available for obligation through September 30, 2021 and may be liquidated through December 30, 2021.

Please contact your Office of Special Education Programs State Lead, Ayorkor Austin, at Ayorkor.Austin@ed.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mark Schultz

Commissioner, Rehabilitation Services Administration. Delegated the authority to perform the functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

cc: State Director