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Jorge Aguilar, Superintendent Sacramento City Unified School District 5735 47th Avenue Sacramento, CA 95824

Dear Superintendent Aguilar:

Subject: Update on Progress Toward Meeting Complaint Corrective Actions

This letter provides an overview of the progress made by Sacramento City Unified School District (District) for the following cases:

- Case Number S-0297-20/21
- Case Number S-0401-20/21

The District has recently displayed progress toward meeting the demands set forth in the aforementioned cases. The California Department of Education (CDE) is encouraged by the work that has been accomplished in recent weeks. The District's progress has been exhibited in their weekly reports and most recently in the following ways:

- The CDE conducted more than 60 student file reviews to verify assessments are being held for students whose evaluations were overdue.
- The CDE verified progress of more than 130 students whose assessments were overdue.
- The District and the CDE met on June 3, 2021, via Zoom and discussed pending overdue assessments.

The CDE looks forward to continuing to receive weekly submissions with progress updates. We encourage the District to continue its progress in these cases. Additionally, the District will need to work towards addressing corrective action eight in complaint case S-0297-20/21. The CDE has yet to see progress in this area and would like the District to address it in their weekly report dated June 18, 2021.

The CDE would also like to recognize both Dr. Sadie Hedegard and Geovanni Linares who have been prompt and helpful to all of CDE's requests. They have both exhibited

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a true spirit of collaboration and a dedication to address the needs of children in the District. The progress of the LEA in these cases is directly attributed to their efforts.

If you have questions, please contact Jim Durgin, Education Programs Consultant, by email at jdurgin@cde.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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