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September 29, 2025

Department of Education Office of the Secretary Attn: Regulation Review 401 Federal Street, Suite 2 Dover, DE 19901

RE: 29 DE Reg. 180 PSB and DDOE Proposed Initial License Regulation (September 1, 2025)

Dear Secretary Marten:

The Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens (GACEC) has reviewed the Professional Standards Board (PSB) and Delaware Department of Education (DDOE) proposal to revise the requirements of an initial license for an educator. Council **supports** this proposed revision. This proposed regulation provides a means for educators employed by an agency to deliver services in districts or charter schools, with an alternate means to establish initial and ongoing professional development. This may help charter schools and districts to address staffing shortfalls by contracting with outside agencies.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our support with you. Please contact us if you have any questions. As always, we look forward to all opportunities to work with you to improve and enhance the education of the students of Delaware. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

William H. Doolittle

William H. Doolittle Chairperson

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