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**Mr. Jacob Oliva**  
**Secretary, Arkansas Department of Education**  
**Commissioner, Arkansas Department of Education**  
**Division of Elementary and Secondary Education**  
**Four Capitol Mall, Room 304-A**  
**Little Rock, AR 72201**

Re: Responsive Education Solutions Arkansas Charter Amendment Request

Dear Secretary Oliva:

Pursuant to Section 4.02.6 of the ADE Rules Governing Public Charter Schools (Rules), I am requesting a waiver of the thirty-five (35) day prior notice requirement contained in Section 4.02.4 of the Rules, on behalf of Responsive Education Solutions Arkansas. The charter will be requesting that the Charter Authorizing Panel (Panel) consider its request to rescind its waiver of Ark. Code Ann. §6-17-2403, concerning teacher minimum compensation schedule, in order to meet requirements prescribed within the new Arkansas LEARNS Act (Act 237). The charter currently has another amendment request that will be considered on the April 25, 2023 agenda of the Panel, and allowing this additional amendment request to be added fulfills the requirement in Section 4.02.6 of the Rules as there are circumstances that may negatively impact the continuation of educational services offered by the charter if this request is not granted.

Therefore, I am requesting that this additional item also be placed on the April 25, 2023 agenda of the Panel for consideration.

Should there be questions, please feel free to contact me via phone or email at [rbradford@responsivedar.com](mailto:rbradford@responsivedar.com).

Sincerely,



**Rhonda Bradford**  
**Superintendent**  
**Responsive Education Solutions Arkansas**