Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Extended Leave of Absence for Brittni Kuehl

WHEREAS, Section 10.3 of the 2019-21 Master Agreement ("Agreement") between Independent School District #256 ("School District") and Education Minnesota Red Wing ("Association") outlines provisions regarding Extended Leaves of Absences ("ELAs") for teachers;

WHEREAS, Section 10.3, Subd.9. stipulates that "teachers must submit a signed letter to the Superintendent requesting an extended leave of absence without pay detailing the purpose and timing of the leave. The request must be submitted by February 1 for a leave taking effect at the beginning of the following school year...."

WHEREAS, the School District hired Brittni Kuehl ("Kuehl") as the Early Childhood Director for the 2021-22 school year;

WHEREAS, Kuehl, an Early Childhood Special Education Teacher assigned to serve as the Preschool Coordinator during the 2020-21 school year, submitted a request for a ??? ELA;

WHEREAS, the School District does not need to hire a replacement for Kuehl's vacated position;

WHEREAS, the position of Early Childhood Coordinator was made available after the February 1 deadline for submitting ELA requests; and

WHEREAS, all parties desire to grant an ELA for Kuehl.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree to the following:

- 1. The deadline established in Section 10.3, Subd.9 for submitting ELA requests is waived for Kuehl;
- 2. The ELA request submitted by Kuehl is approved;
- 3. This Memorandum of Understanding will not affect any terms or conditions of the current contract, will not be construed as an admission of liability by any party, and will not be used as evidence of any past practice or precedent with respect to the implementation of ELAs for any other employee.

BRITTNI KUEHL
Dated this day of
, 2021.
FOR THE ASSOCIATION
FOR THE ASSOCIATION
President
Dated this day of
, 2021.
FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
School Board Clerk (indicating approval by the School Board)
Dated this day of
, 2021.