TO: THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES FOR MASON COUNTY c/o BOOKKEEPER/SECRETARY MICHELE HOLLINGSWORTH

PETITION FOR DETACHMENT/ANNEXATION

(105 ILCS 5/7-1)

NOW COME the Petitioners ASHLEE VANETTEN, MARK VANETTEN, JOHNNY CLOSE, AND JOHN ERMELING, by their attorneys Giesler Law Offices, and state as follows:

- 1. This Petition is filed pursuant to 105 ILCS 5/7-1.
- That the Petitioners, ASHLEE VANETTEN, MARK VANETTEN, JOHNNY
 CLOSE, and JOHN ERMELING, all own real estate in the Illini Central Community
 School District #189, and are seeking to have all or part of that real estate placed
 within the border of the Havana School District #126.
- 3. That the portion of real estate that ASHLEE VANETTEN and MARK VANETTEN are seeking to remove from the Illini Central Community School District #189 and placed within the Havana School District #126 is described as follows:

Parcel I:

A part of the North 25 acres of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 20 North, Range 8 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Mason County, Illinois, described using bearings based on the Illinois State Plane Coordinate System NAD-83 (2011 ADJ) IL-West Zone, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at a 5/8" iron rod at the northwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 24; thence South 00 degrees 07 minutes 29 seconds East 703.62 feet along the west line of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 24 to the Point of Beginning; thence South 89 degrees 54 minutes 11 seconds East 125.89 feet; thence South 00 degrees 07 minutes 29 seconds East 1.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 11 seconds West 125.89 feet to a point on the west line of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 24; thence North 00 degrees 07 minutes 29 seconds West 1.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 0.003 acres, more or less.

Common address: 21452 CR 700N, Kilbourne, Illinois 62655

Parcel II:

A part of the North 25 acres of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 20 North, Range 8 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Mason County, Illinois, described using bearings based on the Illinois State Plane Coordinate System NAD-83 (2011 ADJ) IL-West Zone, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at a 5/8" iron rod at the northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 24; thence South 00 degrees 07 minutes 29 seconds East 703.62 feet along the east line of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 24 to the Point of Beginning; thence South 00 degrees 07 minutes 29 seconds East 1.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 11 seconds West 1322.99 feet to a point on the west line of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 24; thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes 49 seconds East 1.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 54 minutes 11 seconds East 1322.98 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 0.030 acres, more or less, subject to all rights of way and easements of record.

PIN(s): (part of) 17-24-400-001 (part of) 17-24-300-002

4. That the portion of real estate that JOHNNY CLOSE is seeking to remove from the

Illini Central Community School District #189 and placed within the Havana School

District #126 is described as follows:

A part of the West One-half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 20 North, Range 8 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Mason County, Illinois, described using bearings based on the Illinois State Plane Coordinate System NAD-83 (2011 ADJ) IL-West Zone, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at a ½" iron rod at the northwest corner of the West One-half of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 24; thence South 00 degrees 05 minutes 32 seconds East 703.62 feet along the west line of the West One-half of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 24 to the Point of Beginning; thence South 89 degrees 54 minutes 11 seconds East 1323.01 feet to a point on the east line of the West One-half of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 24; thence South 00 degrees 05 minutes 49 seconds West 1.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 11 seconds West 1323.01 feet to a point on the west line of the West One-half of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 24; thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes 49 seconds East 1.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 0.030 acres, more or less, subject to all rights of way and easements of record.

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5. That the portion of real estate that JOHN ERMELING is seeking to remove from the Illini Central Community School District #189 and placed within the Havana School District #126 is described as follows:

A part of the North Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 23, Township 20 North, Range 8 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Mason County, Illinois, described using bearings based on the Illinois State Plane Coordinate System NAD-83 (2011 ADJ) IL-West Zone, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at a ½" iron rod at the northeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 23; thence South 00 degrees 05 minutes 32 seconds East 703.62 feet along the east line of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 23 to the Point of Beginning; thence South 00 degrees 05 minutes 49 seconds West 1.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 11 seconds West 2658.57 feet to a point on the west line of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 23; thence North 00 degrees 03 minutes 26 seconds East 1.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 54 minutes 11 seconds East 2658.57 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 0.061 acres more or less, subject to all rights of way and easements of record.

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- 6. That the Petitioners desire to detach said real estate from the Illini Central Unit School District #189.
- 7. That the Petitioners desire to annex said real estate to Havana Community Unit School District #126.
- 8. That the Petitioners named include all registered voters and land-owners in the territory proposed to be detached from one district and attached to another and therefore meet the two-thirds requirement of 105 ILCS 5/7-1.
- 9. That there will not be any non-high school territory resulting from the granting of the Petition.

- 10. That upon granting the Petition any community unit school district, community consolidated district, elementary district or high school district created shall have a population of at least 2,000 and an assessed valuation of at least \$6,000,000.00 based upon the last value as equalized by the Department of Revenue as of the date of filing of the Petition.
- 11. That the territory within any district so created or any district whose boundaries are affected by the granting of the Petition thereof will be compact and contiguous.
- 12. That after the change of boundaries neither district will have less population or equalized assessed valuation than required for the creation of a district of like type.
- 13. That Petitioners, ASHLEE VANETTEN and MARK VANETTEN reside 16 miles from Illini Central Elementary School in Mason City, Illinois, and reside 14 miles from New Central Elementary School in Havana, Illinois.
- 14. That ASHLEE VANETTEN and MARK VANETTEN are business owners in Havana and primarily work in Havana or near Havana.
- 15. That ASHLEE VANETTEN and MARK VANETTEN's children spend approximately one hour and fifteen minutes on the bus in the morning and approximately one hour and fifteen minutes on the bus in the evenings, requiring the children to spend over two hours per day on the bus.
- 16. That due to the distance from ASHLEE VANETTEN and MARK VANETTEN'S residence to Illini Central Elementary School, and the parties working in or around Havana, their children are less likely to be able to participate in extra curricular activities or other school-sponsored events.

17. That ASHLEE VANETTEN and MARK VANETTEN's children are likely to be able to participate in more extra-curricular activities and other school sponsored activities if attending school at New Central Elementary School due to the Petitioners' business in Havana.

18. That this annexation would only include one household of children that currently attend Illini Central schools.

19. That attached hereto, marked "Exhibit A", and made a part hereof, are maps which indicate the location of real estate sought to be detached and annexed.

WHEREFORE, Petitioners ASHLEE VANETTEN, MARK VANETTEN, JOHNNY CLOSE, and JOHN ERMELING, request that the Regional Board of School Trustees approve the detachment of the above-described real estate from Illini Central Community Unit School District #189 and the attachment of same to the Havana Community Unit School District #126 and for such other and further relief as is just.

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