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Mr. James Crawford, President
Wyandanch Union Free School District Board of Education
Central Administration Building
1445 Dr. Martin L. King, Jr., Boulevard
Wyandanch, New York 11798

Dear Mr. Crawford:

In accordance with Chapter 18 of the Laws of 2020, Mr. Al Chase, the fiscal monitor that the department appointed to the Wyandanch Union Free School District (“the District”), has provided me with his findings in regard to the District’s proposed budget for the 2021-22 school year. Mr. Chase has found that the proposed budget is balanced within the context of revenue and expenditure estimates, which Mr. Chase has updated to reflect the State enacted budget and mandated programs. Mr. Chase has also found that to the greatest extent possible, the proposed budget is consistent with the District’s approved financial plan. Mr. Chase has shared these findings with you and the other members of the Board of Education.

Because Mr. Chase has not submitted to me any recommendations on the proposed budget, the District is now required to make available on the District's website the initial proposed budget, the monitor's findings, and the final proposed budget no later than seven days prior to the date of the District's budget hearing. Please also note that based on your submission of your proposed budget to Mr. Chase and his submission of his findings to me, I consider that you have met the budget submission requirements of §10.10 of Local Finance Law, and I have no recommendations regarding the proposed budget to provide to the Board of Education pursuant to such section.

I wish to congratulate the Board of Education on both the recent upgrading of the District’s bond rating and the development of a proposed budget that the monitor has found to be balanced and consistent with the District’s approved financial plan.

As Mr. Chase has indicated, the 2021-22 school year is an unusual one in terms of the unprecedented infusion of State and Federal resources into the District, and the Board of Education must be diligent in ensuring that the District remains on track to long-term fiscal stability once these resources are no longer available.

We look forward to approval of the proposed budget by the Wyandanch community and continuing to work with you to ensure that all students in District receive the support they need to succeed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Betty A. Bosa". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Betty A. Bosa
Commissioner

c: Al Chase
Kim Wilkins