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June 21, 2016

Dr. Spencer Jordan
Head of School, Laurence Manning Academy
P.O. Box 278
Manning, SC 29102

Dear Dr. Jordan:

Proviso 109.15 in the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Appropriations Act establishes the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children fund under the guidance of the Department of Revenue. For your information, the full text of this proviso is attached. Part of the changes call for this fund to be governed by five directors. The pertinent parts of this section are highlighted below.

(3) The fund shall be governed by five directors, two appointed by the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, one of which is based upon the recommendation of the South Carolina Association of Christian Schools and one which is based upon the recommendation of the Diocese of Charleston, two appointed by the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee based upon the recommendations of the South Carolina Independent Schools Association and one appointed by the Governor based upon the recommendation of the Palmetto Association of Independent Schools. The directors of the fund, along with the Director of the Department of Revenue, shall designate an executive director of the fund.

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Thank you for your willingness to serve the citizens of South Carolina in this important capacity.

Very Truly Yours,

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1 Dibble Lane
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