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George Caruolo, Chairman  
Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education  
Shepard Building  
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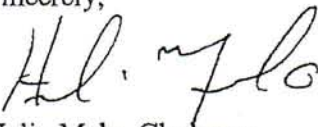
Dear Chairman Caruolo:

In light of the State's current fiscal condition, we are asking that the Board not act on any of the construction and renovation projects currently under review by RIDE until further direction from the General Assembly. This includes postponement of the projects that are scheduled to be heard by the Board of Regents on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and July 7<sup>th</sup>.

We expect to let you know how the General Assembly will proceed on this issue before the end of the 2011 session.

We appreciate your understanding and assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Helio Melo, Chairman  
House Finance Committee

  
Danfel DaPonte, Chairman  
Senate Finance Committee

cc: The Honorable Gordon Fox  
Speaker of the House

The Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed  
President of the Senate

Deborah A. Gist, Commissioner  
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