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The Honorable Martin J. Walsh

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Tommy Chang, Superintendent

Boston Public Schools

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Michael Loconto, Chair

Boston School Committee

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Dear Mayor Walsh, Superintendent Chang, and Chair Loconto:

As you know, in February 2017, Commissioner Chester appointed Superintendent Chang to be responsible for the implementation of the turnaround plan for the Dever School, effective July 2017. In that role, Superintendent Chang has had the authorities of a Receiver for a Level 5 school, and has reported directly to the Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education, pursuant to G.L. c. 69, § 1J. In light of Superintendent Chang’s announced resignation from the position of superintendent, and in order to maintain continuity of operations at the school, I will serve as Receiver for the Dever School, pending further developments. My service as Receiver will be effective as of the date of Superintendent Chang’s resignation.

Sincerely,

**SIGNED BY COMMISSIONER RILEY**

Jeffrey C. Riley

Commissioner

C: Todd Fishburn, Dever School Principal

Jessica Tang, BTU President