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October 20, 2021

Frank Edelblut Commissioner, New Hampshire Department of Education 101 Pleasant Street Concord, NH 03301

Re: Right to Know Request

Dear Commissioner Edelblut:

On Monday, a disturbing report by New Hampshire Public Radio detailed a speech that you gave this weekend to the Government Integrity Project, a far-right group that has spread Trump's baseless claims of election fraud and protested against the COVID vaccine. According to Governor Sununu, who condemned your participation in the event, you participated in an "official capacity." Granite Staters deserve to know what promises you have made to this far-right group, what influence this group has had over education policy in the Granite State, and what taxpayer resources were used to facilitate your participation in this right-wing political event.

As such, I request the following records in possession of the New Hampshire Department of Education per RSA Chapter 91-A of New Hampshire's Right to Know Law:

- Any and all records regarding your October 17, 2021 speech to the Government Integrity Project, including but not limited to internal correspondence regarding the event, correspondence with the Government Integrity Project and/or other event organizers, records of honoraria, records of donations and/or purchase of event tickets, remarks, speech drafts, event agendas, event schedules, press advisories, and other relevant materials.
- Any and all internal correspondence of the Department of Education dated between June 2021 and the present regarding the Government Integrity Project, ParentalRights.org, and/or the Parental Rights Foundation.
- Any correspondence between the Department of Education, including employees and/or representatives thereof, and the Government Integrity Project, including employees

and/or representatives thereof, dated between June 1, 2021 and the present. This request includes but is not limited to correspondence to or from: Kenneth "Ken" Eyring, Thomas "Tom" Murray, David Kiley, Wally Heath, Lynn Murray, the email address gip@intrinetsystems.com, and/or any email address ending with the domain "@governmentintegrityproject.org."

- Any correspondence between the Department of Education and ParentalRights.org and/or the Parental Rights Foundation, dated between June 2021 and the present. This request includes but is not limited to emails to and/or from addresses with the domains "@parentalrights.org" and/or "@parentalrightsfoundation.org.'
- Any correspondence between the Office of the Commissioner and/or Commissioner Frank Edelblut and Governor Christopher Sununu and/or the Office of the Governor regarding Commissioner Edelblut's speech October 17, 2021 speech at the Government Integrity Project.
- Any correspondence between the Office of the Commissioner and/or Commissioner Frank Edelblut and Governor Christopher Sununu and/or the Office of the Governor dated between September 1, 2021 and the present and containing any or all of the following key words and/or phrases:
 - "Government Integrity Project," GIP, Eyring, Murray, Heath, governmentintegrityproject.org, "Empowering Parents," "Crossing Life Church," 122 North Lowell, 122 N. Lowell, Giuda, Peetz, Ladd, Cordelli, Silber, parentalrights.org, "Parental Rights Foundation," resign, resignation, "step down," "stepping down."

Direct correspondence should include letters, emails, text messages, reports, and other relevant material. I am not seeking any secondary material such as phone logs, notations of conversation, etc.

If any records are withheld or redacted, I request that you state the specific legal and factual grounds for withholding any documents or portions of documents. Please identify each document that falls within the scope of this request but is withheld from release.

If requested documents are located in another installation or bureau, I request that you please refer this request or any relevant portion of this request to the appropriate installation or bureau.

To the extent that the respondent records are available in electronic format, I would prefer to receive the information via email or CD, particularly if providing the information reduces the time or expense involved. Otherwise, I will expect to receive the information in paper form.

To help assess my status for copying and mailing fees, please note that I am gathering information for research purposes and not for commercial activities. I am willing to pay all reasonable costs incurred in locating and duplicating these materials. But please contact me prior to processing to approve any fees or charges incurred in excess of \$20.

As you are aware, RSA 91-A requires that this request be met within five business days or that you provide a written statement explaining the time needed to fulfill or deny this request.

Thank you for your cooperation with this request. I am willing to discuss ways to make this request more manageable to your office. Please do not hesitate to contact me at chairman@nhdp.org.

sincerely,

Raymond Buckley