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OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

October 21, 2024

The Honorable Brian Maher
Commissioner of Education
Nebraska Department of Education
500 S. 84th St.
Lincoln, NE 68510

Dear Commissioner Maher:

I write in response to Nebraska's request for additional time to liquidate obligations for the American Rescue Plan Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-HCY) program, grant award S425W210028. Specifically, Nebraska's September 26, 2024, liquidation extension request concerns \$673,109.00 of ARP-HCY funds after the period for liquidation under 2 C.F.R. § 200.344(b) expires. After careful review, I have determined that Nebraska's request provides sufficient justification and documentation for an extension to the period of liquidation for ARP-HCY funds.

I am approving continued access to this grant through March 28, 2026. This approval is given with the condition that the funds drawn down in the G6 system from grant award S425W210028 be used only to liquidate obligations incurred on or prior to September 30, 2024, and support costs that were allowable under laws and regulations in effect during the period. Any drawdowns during this extension period require approval from the U.S. Department of Education's (Department's) program office. Nebraska must email the Department at HomelessEd@ed.gov, detailing the amount of State- and subrecipient-level funds approved for late liquidation that will be drawn down by the State.

Thank you for your work to implement the ARP-HCY program, including this request to help ensure that all possible resources are available to meet the education-related support needs of children and youth experiencing homelessness in Nebraska. If you have any questions about this approval, please contact the Department at HomelessEd@ed.gov.

Sincerely,

Adam Schott
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary
Delegated the Authority to Perform the
Functions and Duties of the Assistant Secretary
Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

cc: Beth Wooster, Administrator, Nebraska Department of Education (NDE)
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