Massachusetts School Building Authority

Timothy P. Cahill
Chairman, State Treasurer

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Francis J. Casey, Chair, Carver Board of Selectmen 108 Main Street Carver, MA 02330

Re: Carver Public Schools, Governor John Carver Elementary School

Dear Mr. Casey:

The Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA") is issuing this letter in response to the Town of Carver's second attempt to secure Schematic Design funding for the proposed project at the Governor John Carver Elementary School by Special Ballot on January 19, 2010. According to published reports, Carver's voters have again rejected the debt exclusion necessary to fund the Schematic Design phase of the proposed project at the Governor John Carver Elementary School.

Pursuant to MSBA policy, districts who fail to approve funding for feasibility study and schematic design will be removed from the Capital Pipeline and will be asked to provide evidence of community support before their proposed project will be eligible for reconsideration by the MSBA's Board of Directors. This policy is necessary to ensure that the MSBA's limited capital program funds are not indefinitely tied up for projects that lack local support.

The Town of Carver's voters have twice rejected the debt exclusion that the Town needed to move the proposed project at the school to the next phase in the MSBA's Capital Pipeline. Due to the lack of local support for this proposed project as evidenced by the results of the ballot questions on October 17, 2009 and January 19, 2010, the MSBA is removing the Governor John Carver Elementary School from its Capital Pipeline.

In order to reactivate the Statement of Interest for the Governor John Carver Elementary School and re-enter the Capital Pipeline, the Town must demonstrate local support for funding a school project by passing a ballot question for a project with a defined scope and budget. If the Town decides that this is what it wishes to do and works on developing an educational plan that local voters will support, the MSBA will assist the Town in crafting appropriate language for the ballot question and for any necessary Town Meeting articles, warrants, motions, votes, and orders.



If the Town successfully reactivates its Statement of Interest and the MSBA's Board of Directors affirmatively votes to reconsider the proposed project, the Town will re-enter the Capital Pipeline at the Schematic Design phase. All work that the Town and the MSBA have undertaken to date, including the feasibility study, will be retained and will form the basis of any potential project at the Governor John Carver Elementary School.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (617) 720-4466.

Sincerely,

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Director of Capital Planning

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