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Jeffrey C. Riley Commissioner

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Superintendent Jeffrey Szymaniak Whitman Hanson Regional School District 610 Franklin Street Whitman, MA 02382

Re: Amendment to Whitman-Hanson Regional School District Regional Agreement

Dear Superintendent Szymaniak:

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (Department) has received the amendment to the Whitman-Hanson Regional School District's regional agreement and copies of the votes of the member towns of the district, certifying that they have approved the amendment. This amendment changes the language of Section IV.E, regarding Apportionment of Operating Costs, replacing the section in its entirety.

The Department reviewed the amendment and found it to be consistent with applicable laws and regulations. I, therefore, approve this amendment. Pursuant to 603 CMR 41.03, this approval serves to amend the Whitman-Hanson Regional School District agreement, Section IV.E.

I also want to remind you that, despite the remaining outdated language in the 1991 agreement, the district, school committee and towns are obligated to follow all current laws and regulations applicable to regional school districts. The Department hopes that your efforts to proceed with a full amendment to the regional agreement next year are successful.

Please contact the Department at any time if we can be of further assistance. My best wishes for continued success in all your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

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Jeffrey C. Riley Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education

c: Chair, Whitman-Hanson Regional School Committee Chair, Select Board, Town of Hanson Chair, Select Board, Town of Whitman