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Vermont Agency of Education
State Board of Education
219 North Main Street, Room 304
Barre, VT 05641

Re: *South Burlington School District petition for waiver under 16 V.S.A. § 1071(c)*

Dear Board Members:

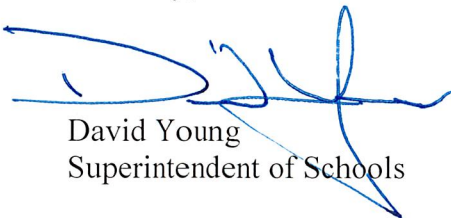
I am writing pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1071(c) to petition the State Board for a waiver of the 175 students days requirement for the 2016-2017 school year due to an unanticipated closing on April 21, 2017 that was beyond the control of the school board.

As the Board is likely aware, the South Burlington School District received threats to students and staff on April 19 & 20, resulting in early dismissals for both days. Due to the ongoing nature of the threats, we closed all District schools on April 21, 2017, the last school day prior to the April school vacation week. The police arrested the individual responsible for the threats on April 21, 2017.

The District 2016-2017 school year calendar included contingency days, which have already been used due to weather cancelations. Because of the date this occurred, being near the end of the school year, I respectfully request that the State Board grant the waiver petition. As a District, we have never made a request like this.

Please let me know if you have questions or concerns. Thank you.

Sincerely,



David Young
Superintendent of Schools