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Ms. Karen Bishop, Executive Director
Walden School
848 Central Street
Framingham, Massachusetts 01701

Dear Ms. Bishop:

SUBJECT: RECERTIFICATION BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES (CDSS)

Pursuant to California Family Code, Section 7911 et al., this is official notification that the Certification for Walden School (The Learning Center for the Deaf) located at 848 Central Street, Framingham, Massachusetts is continued through June 2012.

California licensing standards require that all serious incidents continue to be reported to CDSS Out-of-State Placement Policy Unit for each child in care regardless of whether he or she is a California placement. Incident reporting shall include the following:

- a. Deaths
- b. Suicide attempts
- c. Suspected physical, sexual, or psychological abuse
- d. Epidemic outbreaks and catastrophes
- e. Injuries and illnesses that require hospitalization or medical treatment (beyond first-aid)
- f. Use of restraint (whether or not they result in an injury to a child)
- g. Any unusual incident or absence that threatens the physical or emotional health or safety of a child

Certification will continue to be reviewed annually. We will be following our Department policy which authorizes us to inspect facilities with or without an appointment as necessary.

If you have any questions please contact me at (916) 838-5875.

Sincerely,

OLANIYAN AKYEEM
Out-of-State Program Analyst

C: Rosalind Hyde, Deputy Compact Administrator, ICPC/Out-of-State Placement & Policy Unit