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September 10, 2020

Mr. Ken Kenworthy
Superintendent, Okeechobee County School District
700 SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue
Okeechobee, FL 34974

Re: Contract to Represent

Dear Superintendent Kenworthy,

The purpose of this correspondence is to confirm The Legis Group I.LC (hereinafter referred to as the "Firm") willingness to undertake representation of the Okechobee County School District (hereinafter referred to as the "Client") concerning the Client's interest in the State of Florida and with the United States Government as it relates to obtaining financial grants and lobbying services.

The scope of the issue will be to work with the Client to strategize and formulate a plan to obtain funding for the Client regarding infrastructure needs specifically Special Facilities Funding for new high school. The Firm would be responsible for setting up and attending meetings with the Client and government leaders and other business leaders as needed to ensure school funding. If needed, the Firm will also develop a political plan that will meet the needs of the Client and ensure government leaders that the Client's plan provides for sound economic growth as well as job creation and good public policy.

The Firm will represent the Client in matters before governmental entities at the federal and state levels of government when needed at the direction of the Client, or any other appointed person by the Client.

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The fee for representation of the Client will be payable as follows: Beginning October 1, 2020, the Client will pay Three Thousand dollars per month (\$3,000.00) for a total of Thirty-Six Thousand dollars (\$36,000.00) per year. The Client shall have the right to cancel this contract with thirty (30) days written notice.

The Firm shall provide monthly reports to the Superintendent.

The Firm shall pay all incidental expenses incurred such as long distance telephone charges, reproduction of materials, fax charges, and so forth. However, the Client shall pay all pre-approved travel expenses incurred by the Firm, such as airline travel, hotel accommodations, travel to Okcechobee County, and food.

This contract shall comply with all Florida Statues as listed below;

## Contractor's Duties Regarding Public Records

## (A) Compliance with Florida Laws

Contractor must provide public access to all records concerning this Contract according to applicable Florida laws including Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. If Contractor asserts any exemptions to Florida's public records laws, Contractor has the burden of establishing and defending the exemption.

## (B) Recordkeeping and Public Access

Under Florida Statutes 119.0701(3)(a), a request to inspect or copy public records relating to a School District contract for services must be made directly to the School District. In addition, Contractor must: (1) keep and maintain public records required by the School District in order to perform the service; (2) upon request from the School District's custodian of public records, provide the School District with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided by law; (3) ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the contract if the Contractor does not transfer the records to the School District; and (4) transfer, at no

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If the terms of representation are acceptable, please sign on the signature space provided and return the original to our office. In the event that you have any questions concerning any of these matters, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

We are pleased to be considered for this representation and appreciate the confidence you have shown in our Firm. We look forward to a productive and successful relationship.

Respectfully,

Patrick E. Bell

The Legis Group, LLC

Ken Kenworthy

Superintendent of Schools

Okcechobee County School District