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TO: School District Officials and Counsel

REGARDING: Petition to Transfer Territory from Bainville K-12 School District 64 to Froid School District High School 65E and Froid School District Elementary 65

The request for transfer of territory by Josh Davidson and Jaclyn Davidson from Bainville K-12 District No. 64 to Froid High School District No. 65E is **denied**.

I have determined that Josh Davidson failed to meet the requirement of MCA 20-6-105 (6)(c)(i,ii,iv,v) regarding economic viability as it would become a (i) significant burden on the taxpayers of the district from which the territory would be transferred from; (ii) State funding would be lost; (iv) the transferring district must maintain sufficient reserves; and (v) the cumulative effect of other transfers of territory out of or into the district from which the territory is to be transferred has been taken into consideration.

I have also determined that (A) the district's rate of discretionary levies placed before the voters would be increased; (B) The district's reduction or elimination of instructional staff or programs would take place; and (C) An increase in district taxes would likely happen if the transfer is granted.

Therefore, it is not in the best interest of the children residing in the Bainville School District No. 64 territory because "wanting" to be a Froid School Board Trustee does not serve as good cause for a territorial land transfer.

IT IS ORDERED The Petition to Transfer Territory out of Bainville K-12 District No. 64 to Froid High School District 65E and Froid Elementary School District 65 is **denied**.

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