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To whom it may concern,

This letter is intended as evidence of my support for the expansion of school choice in the Santa Clarita Valley and specifically, the K through 6th grade charter school petition of the Albert Einstein Academy for Letters, Arts & Sciences to the Saugus Union School District.

I underscore that the Einstein Academy recently received a 5-year extension to operate its Junior and Senior High School programs, and received accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), a leading provider of educational accreditation. The Hart-Einstein program's most recent API score was 908, which places them well inside the 90th percentile of schools in California.

Furthermore, I have reviewed a document from the William S. Hart Union School District Administration, which states that Hart Einstein has performed well and that it has quickly and thoroughly addressed any issues brought to its attention by District Administration.

School Districts in California are directed by the State Legislature, of which I am a Member, to approve all Charter School petitions unless there is a substantive reason, such as with finances or ability to deliver curriculum mandated by law, that the organization should not be approved.

If I can be of any further assistance, or if you require additional comments about this recommendation, please contact me at my Palmdale District Office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Knight".

Steve Knight, Assemblyman
36th Assembly District

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