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TO: Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: Susan A. Gendron, Commissioner of Education 

DATE: December 12, 2007

SUBJECT: COMMISSIONER'S RECOMMENDED FUNDING LEVEL FOR FY 2009

Pursuant to the provisions of 20-A M.R.S.A., Section 15689-C, the Commissioner, with the approval of the State Board of Education, shall certify to the Governor and the Bureau of the Budget recommended funding levels for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade twelve. The funding levels recommended herein were developed in accordance with the current statute as amended by Legislative Document 1.

RECOMMENDATION: I recommend that the State Board of Education approve the following motion:

MOTION: To approve the certified funding level for FY 2009, based on current statute, for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade twelve (including total operating allocation, total debt service allocation, and total adjustments and miscellaneous costs) at \$1,875,497,335, a local contribution amount of \$843,973,801, and a state contribution amount of \$1,031,523,534 to be distributed as General Purpose Aid for Local Schools. These amounts shall be distributed according to the parameters of the Essential Programs & Services Funding Act, 20-A M.R.S.A. Chapter 606-B.

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Enclosure: Recommended Funding Level for FY 2009

