OFFICE OF PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS

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Gateway STEM Academy
Board Chair Abdirahman Mukhtar
1885 University Ave W,
St. Paul, MN 55104

Dear Mr. Mukhtar,

On behalf of the Pillsbury United Communities Office of Public Charter Schools (PUC-OPCS), I am pleased to formally congratulate Gateway STEM Academy on successfully meeting the requirements outlined during its probationary period and being out of corrective action.

As noted in the prior notification dated August 22, 2025, the school was placed on probation due to identified concerns in areas including financial management, data privacy practices, compliance with statutory requirements, and internal and external communication protocols. We recognize the significant effort, commitment, and leadership demonstrated by the school's board and administration in addressing these areas thoroughly and effectively.

Based on the documentation and evidence provided, Gateway STEM Academy has demonstrated compliance with the expectations and has made meaningful improvements aligned with statutory and contractual obligations. As a result, the school is now authorized to move forward under the original terms of its charter contract (July 1, 2025- June 20, 2028).

This milestone reflects the school's dedication to continuous improvement and its commitment to providing high-quality educational services to its students and community. We encourage the school to maintain these strong practices and continue building on this progress.

PUC-OPCS looks forward to continued collaboration and support as Gateway advances its mission and goals.

Sincerely,

Sawsan Natsheh

PUC-OPCS Operation Director

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