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NOTIFICATION OF TERMINATION OF TWO FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY CONTRACTS FOR CONTRACTOR'S DEFAULT

This letter is to notify your Board that I have used Board delegated authority to terminate two (2) Foster Family Agency (FFA) contracts with A-W Friendship Homes dba Zenith Foster Family Agency and Xavier Psychological Testing and Treatment Center dba Greatest Love Foster Family Agency, as approved by your Board on October 21, 2008, effective July 15, 2011.

A-W Friendship Homes (Zenith) was closed by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) Community Care Licensing Division (CCLD) on March 1, 2011. The twenty three (23) foster parents were decertified by A-W Friendship Homes and certified with another contracted Foster Family Agency, Families for Children, effective February 25, 2011. The transition of the fifty-four (54) placed children and their twenty-three (23) foster parents was completed by February 25, 2011.

Xavier Psychological Testing and Treatment Center (Greatest Love) was closed by CDSS CCLD on May 1, 2011. All fifteen (15) foster parents were decertified by Xavier. Twelve (12) foster parents and the twenty three (23) children placed with them transitioned to another contracted FFA, The Dangerfield Institute of Urban Problems. One foster parent and one placed child transitioned to another contracted FFA, Families with Children. One foster parent discontinued providing foster parent services and the two placed children were replaced into another home. One child was reunited with his parents.

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may call me at (213) 351-5600, or your staff may contact Aldo Marin, Board Liaison, at (213) 351-5530.

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