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Board of Education Harrison Central School District c/o Louis N. Wool, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools 50 Union Ave. Harrison, New York 10528

Mark Heinbockel, Assessor Village/Town of Harrison 1 Heineman Place Harrison, New York 10528

RE:

Application for Refund and Credit (Grant 424.-34)

Dear Sirs and Madams:

Enclosed is an application for refund and credit (RP-556) that this office received for the parcel referenced above. The years involved are 2014/2015 and 2015/2016 School tax years. I have confirmed with Marcia Molesky, RPT-ORPTS Real Property Analyst 1 that in income tax year 2011 which is applicable to the 2014/2015 school tax year the Grants income met the requirements for the enhanced STAR exemption. In income tax year 2012 which is applicable to the 2015/2016 school tax year the Grant's income did not meet the requirements for the enhanced STAR exemption but did meet the requirements for the basic STAR exemption. In income tax years 2013 and 2014 which are applicable to the yet to be billed 2016/2017 and 2017/2018 school tax years respectively, the Grant's income met the requirements for the enhanced STAR exemption. Accordingly, I have determined that a clerical error occurred.

It is therefore my recommendation that the application be approved and a refund issued pursuant to RPTL §550.2(c) for the enhanced STAR exemption for 2014/2015 and the basic STAR exemption for 2015/2016 school tax. I recognize that this is the opposite of what appears in the application however it appears the initial discussions in June, 2016 did not apply the appropriate income tax year to the relevant school year.

Enclosures.

Sincerely,

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