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**DATE:** September 14, 2017

**Dr. Edwin M. Quezada**  
Superintendent of Schools

**TO:** Edwin M. Quezada

**Dr. Andrea Coddett**  
Deputy Superintendent of Schools

**FROM:** John P. Carr

**John P. Carr, P.E.**  
Executive Director  
School Facilities Management

**RE: REQUEST FOR EMERGENCY DECLARATION  
CORNELL ACADEMY CEILING TILE COLLAPSE**

This morning it was discovered that one or more ceiling tiles listed as asbestos containing building materials in the 2016 AHERA Triennial Survey had collapsed and fallen in the Classroom 11. This was due to water damage from a leak (or leaks) opening in the roof over Room 11. The room has been closed until such time as it is cleared for re-opening per NYSDOL requirements.

The fallen materials are being sampled and tested to confirm asbestos content. Since other parts of the ceiling are showing similar decay and the leaks have yet to be located and repaired it is anticipated that other tiles may collapse and therefore should be removed as soon as possible. The extent of the deterioration and/or its increase in rate of decay was not apparent until this morning.

Work to be completed under this emergency declaration will include but not necessarily be limited to soft work (DOL filing, permits, sampling & testing, air monitoring and paperwork) by Adelaide Environmental under their existing requirements contract and asbestos tile abatement and cleaning will be done by NSC Abatement a select vendor with a highly satisfactory history with the District.

Cost of this operation is expected to be less than \$35,000.00 in general funds. It is anticipated that this work will be completed and the room reopened on Tuesday September 19, 2017. Roof repair and tile replacement is being done with in house forces.

Please indicate your approval/disapproval of this Emergency Declaration by signing below:

APPROVED:

Dr. Edwin M. Quezada, Superintendent of Schools

DENIED:

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Dr. Edwin M. Quezada, Superintendent of Schools

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