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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Re: *Round Rock ISD's Board Meeting and Dr. Hafeedh Azaiez*

I am legal counsel to Dr. Hafeedh Azaiez, Superintendent of Round Rock ISD. I am writing to provide information pertaining to Monday's meeting of the Round Rock ISD Board of Trustees and regarding tomorrow's scheduled meeting of the Board.

Succinctly stated, the FACTS negated the need for Monday's Board meeting and the meeting scheduled for tomorrow, Thursday, January 6, 2022.

As counsel for Dr. Azaiez, I am appalled that the TEA and the Round Rock ISD Board of Trustees would allow themselves to be hijacked, coerced, and forced by two renegade members of the Round Rock ISD Board to pursue the ouster of Dr. Azaiez based upon an alleged assault that, in their heart of hearts, each member of the Board knows never occurred.

Succinctly stated, as counsel for Dr. Azaiez, we have objective evidence, which we believe to be incontrovertible, demonstrating that the alleged assault, which is the genesis of this controversy, did not occur.

Further, the following are FACTS about which the Board is aware, and yet actively refuses to acknowledge:

FACT - The Travis County Court NEVER issued any findings of an assault in the Temporary *Ex Parte* Protective Order, which are routinely issued by the Court based solely on the complainant's allegations, without the knowledge or the ability of the accused person – in this instance, Dr. Azaiez – to refute the allegations;

FACT - The Temporary *Ex Parte* Protective Order was extinguished in mid-December.

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FACT - The personal dispute between Dr. Azaiez and the third-party complainant was amicably resolved and there is a confidential settlement agreement.

FACT - An agreed-upon civil restraining order was entered into by and between Dr. Azaiez and the complainant;

FACT - With the settlement between Dr. Azaiez and the complainant, this matter has been resolved.

FACT - Prior to the TEA monitor's intervention, the TEA commenced an investigation of the alleged assault in September 2021.

FACT - In September 2021, the TEA alerted the Round Rock ISD Board of Trustees of the investigation, and the Board decided to let the TEA's investigation proceed and not take any action.

FACT - The TEA's alleged assault investigation commenced four (4) months ago in September 2021 and is ongoing.

In conclusion, there is no need for the Round Rock ISD, at the urging of the TEA, to waste taxpayer dollars to conduct a duplicative investigation of an alleged assault about which the TEA has been investigating since September 2021.

Best regards,



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