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**Re: Albany Avenue Elementary School
IAQ – Rooms 114A and 114B
ECG Project No. 2191**

Dear Mr. Cozzetto:

In accordance with your request, I visited the above referenced classrooms in response to occupant complaints of a possible Indoor Air Quality problem. Prior to my visit, I reviewed previous reports of mold and bacteria testing conducted by Olmsted Environmental Services, Inc. and CTI Environmental Consultants. In addition, I was provided with copies of "Air Quality Assessment Questionnaires" completed by the occupants Ms. Eileen Biggs (Room 114A) and Ms. Maria Bohres (Room 114B).

The building inspection identified two rooms created from one existing classroom. Room 114A did not contain a univent or other source of fresh air except for operable windows which are not usable during cold winter months. Window leaks existed previously, but repairs were made and wet ceiling tiles were removed. The rooms were also recently cleaned with a disinfectant. The rooms contained excessive storage of stuffed animals, paper, books, toys, live plants, etc.

Room 114B contained a univent, a bathroom, and a sink. Ceiling tiles had been wet recently due to window leaks and were replaced. Both rooms had dust on the blinds, univents, and throughout the room.

An interview with the teachers revealed the following:

- In room 114A Ms. Biggs complained of coughing, stuffiness, headaches, tiredness, a mold-like smell, and skin rashes on her face.
- In room 114B Ms. Bohres complained of headaches, shortness of breath, swelling of face and eyes, dry eyes, and skin rash.

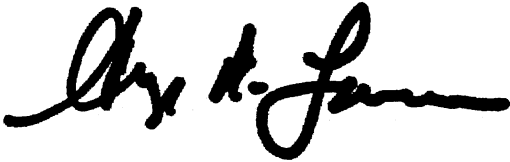
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Conclusions and Recommendations:

- Stored materials throughout both rooms prevent the proper cleaning and sanitizing of classrooms on a regular basis and provide housing for microbiological organisms, allergens, and irritating nuisance dust. All of this stored material should be removed or cleaned and stored in airtight containers.
- The district should continue to identify and repair any water leakage around windows or other locations and remove water-damaged materials.
- A source of mechanical ventilation should be considered for Room 114A.

If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George R. Lawrence". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "G" and "L".

George R. Lawrence, REPA
Vice President