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*Via E-Mail: [rerepeal@gmail.com](mailto:rerepeal@gmail.com)*

Dear Judge Sher:

On behalf of the Riverhead Central School District and Board of Education, I write to you once again to share our concerns with the decision to remove the religious exemption option from our students, without input from school leaders. As a result, we are in a position where we are to violate the constitution and the civil rights of our students and their families.

I implore you to grant a stay to the students who have been impacted by this. More time will allow us to work together toward a better solution to this dire situation. Families are not able to plan and/or adjust with the current looming deadline. Adequate time has not been given so that families can make informed decisions with medical professionals about how to proceed. As educational leaders, we want to support a plan that respects the constitutional rights of all students. Please right this wrong, by granting a stay.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Henriquez", written over a white background.

Dr. Aurelia L. Henriquez  
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