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To the Members of the Board The Alaska Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired Anchorage, Alaska

We have audited the financial statements of The Alaska Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired (the Center) for the year ended June 30, 2024, and have issued our report thereon dated November 14, 2024. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated July 11, 2024. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Accounting Policies and Transactions

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the Center are described in the Notes to the financial statements. We noted no transactions entered into by the Center during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Significant Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimates affecting the financial statements were:

Management's estimate of the useful lives and depreciation expense is based on the estimated life of an asset. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the estimated useful lives and depreciation expense in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Management's estimate of functional expenses is based on an allocation of program expenses and general administration. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the allocation of expenses in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Financial Statement Disclosures

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

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Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. We did not identify any misstatements as a result of our audit.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated November 14, 2024.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Center's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Center's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition of our retention.

Accounting Assistance

As a part of our engagement we drafted the financial statements of Alaska Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired from the Center's accounting records; however, management of the Center involved in the drafting process and retains responsibility for the basic financial statements.

Internal Control Matters

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Alaska Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered Alaska Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Center's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Center's internal control.

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A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.

Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the use of the governing board, management and others within the Center and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Sincerely,

Anchorage, Alaska