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SENT VIA E-MAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Ms. Rebecca S. Markert
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Re: Prayer At Minford High School Assembly And Graduation

Dear Ms. Markert:

On behalf of the Minford Local School District Board of Education, we are responding to your letter dated February 25, 2011, to Superintendent Mark Wilcheck concerning prayer that occurred at the National Honors Society induction and your concern that prayer might occur at the District graduation ceremony.

With respect to the assembly held to induct students into the National Honors Society, please be advised that the high school principal and NHS advisor have been advised that there should be no scheduled prayer in the future, in accordance with existing Board policy.

With respect to graduation, we have been informed that there was no scheduled prayer at the District graduation ceremony in 2010, nor is the Board aware that a prayer is scheduled as part of the program for this year's graduation ceremony.

We trust that this letter is responsive to your concerns. Please feel free to contact the undersigned, if you wish to discuss the matter further.

Sincerely,

Susan L. Oppenheimer

cc: Mark Wilcheck, Superintendent (via e-mail)