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Board of Trustees North Carolina State Health Plan for Teachers and State Employees 3200 Atlantic Avenue Raleigh, NC 27604

> Re: Approval of Flexibility for Plan Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 135-48.39 for Hurricane Helene State of Disaster

Dear Trustees,

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 135-48.39, I request that the Board of Trustees of the North Carolina State Health Plan for Teachers and State Employees ("Board") take the following actions:

- 1. Approve that Treasurer may order that members and employing units adversely affected by the state of disaster caused by Hurricane Helene may defer premium and debt payments due to the Plan for a period of 30 days; and
- 2. Approve all extensions of the 30-day period that the Treasurer deems necessary to the extent allowed under N.C. Gen. Stat. § 135-48.39.

This request is part of the Board's consent agenda for its meeting on October 24, 2024. Accordingly, the Board's approval of the consent agenda shall be approval of these actions.

Sincerely,

Sam Watts

Executive Administrator

North Carolina State Health Plan

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