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# -- IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE--

October 1, 2024

## ORDERED:

WHEREAS: In a District with a school choice system - wherein parents can select a school at any location within the city – timely, and well-orchestrated, transportation is critical; and

WHEREAS: The District has long had a focus on supporting families most in need; and

WHEREAS Buses arriving late impact both the children (who miss classroom time), and parents (who may not have the luxury of being late to work); and

WHEREAS: This issue is not new – having been communicated clearly and repeatedly by families; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Superintendent will establish and Service Level Agreement wherein they will commit to responding to all parent communications within 5 business days; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Superintendent will provide a regular update to all families on routes where students arrived at their school after the official start of the school day, stating what actions are being taken to resolve the issue, and by what dates those actions will be completed. If necessary, the Superintendent will provide this level of service until December 31, 2024; and be it further

RESOLVED That, for our special education students, the District present a plan for tracking for special education buses - or a clear explanation as to why that's not possible, and make reasonable efforts to monitor out-of-district schools to report late arrivals or absences in the interim.

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A true copy:

Attest:

Katherine Christo
Executive Secretary to the Cambridge School Committee

Motion #24-244

cc:

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