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To the Board of Directors Special Olympics Iowa, Inc. Grimes, Iowa

We have audited the financial statements of Special Olympics Iowa, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2018, and have issued our report thereon dated September 9, 2019. 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 January 3, 2019. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

## Significant Audit Matters

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by Special Olympics Iowa, Inc. are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. As described in Note 1, the Organization changed the accounting policies related to financial statement reporting by adopting FASB Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2016-14, *Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities*, in 2018. We noted no transactions entered into by the Organization during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. During the year, the Organization recorded grant revenue on a cash basis. Some of this revenue would not qualify for recognition in 2018 based on the timing of grant expenditures incurred.

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 financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

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

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. The attached schedule summarizes uncorrected misstatements of the financial statements. Management has determined that their effects are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole. A material misstatement detected as a result of audit procedures was corrected by management involving accounts receivable.

## Significant Audit Matters (Continued)

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 September 9, 2019.

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 organization'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 Organization's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

## **Other Matters**

This information is solely for the use of the Board of Directors and management of Special Olympics Iowa, Inc., and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

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West Des Moines, Iowa September 9, 2019