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MEMORANDUM

To: Robert Elizondo, Superintendent, Touchet School District
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From: Chris Reykdal, Superintendent of Public Instruction *Chris Reykdal*
T.J. Kelly, Chief Financial Officer *T.J. Kelly*

Date: April 13, 2026

Re: Memo of Appreciation to Prescott School District Adjacent Districts

As you all know, the Prescott community and the Legislature have both made significant investments in their local public school over the past several months, allowing us to rescind our petition for the dissolution of Prescott School District. With historic voter and community support, consistent efforts by the local school board, administration, and staff to adjust general fund spending, and support from Educational Service District 123 staff on appropriation accounting and budgeting practices, the district now has a clear path toward financial solvency. They still have work to do, but the district is no longer at risk of dissolution.

The purpose of this memorandum is to thank each one of you for your support of the Prescott School District and the students they serve. Each one of you expressed a clear willingness to support the needs of that district and step up if needed during the dissolution process. While dissolution was not ultimately needed, your steadfast support of this district and commitment to working together on a solution that put students first was a bright spot in what was an otherwise trying time.

You all have our deepest appreciation for your assistance and for your continued support of public education.