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Dear Governor Pritzker:

The U.S. Departments of Labor and Education (Departments) are grateful for your work leading State workforce efforts through the State Workforce Development Board and collaboration among education, employment, and training programs. The Departments are working together to implement Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) programs and are ready to assist Illinois in implementing its strategies to effectively respond to State and local needs.

The Departments are pleased to inform you that we have approved Illinois' four-year WIOA Unified State Plan (Unified State Plan), submitted on March 3, 2020, pursuant to section 102(c)(3)(A) of WIOA. The Unified State Plan will take effect July 1, 2020, and cover program years 2020 through 2023 (July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2024). If your Unified State Plan included requests for waivers of WIOA title I or Wagner-Peyser requirements, you will receive separate communication from the U.S. Department of Labor with the disposition of those requests.

The Departments recognize that the Unified State Plan was largely developed in a different economy. While the Departments will ask Illinois to submit the required Unified State Plan modification for program years 2022 and 2023, we remind Illinois that it may, at any time, submit a modification to its approved Unified State Plan to respond to changing economic or employment situations in the State.

We value Illinois' commitment to work together with stakeholders and the Departments to support the public workforce system. The Departments will provide technical assistance and monitor Illinois' progress on an ongoing basis as we work together to help Illinois implement the vision and goals described in its Unified State Plan and its innovations to improve the quality and effectiveness of services to jobseekers and employers.

If you have any questions, please contact Christine Quinn, Employment and Training Administration Regional Administrator, at Quinn.Christine@dol.gov.

Sincerely,

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