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Subject: Fwd: GRADUATION COMPETENCY ASSESSMENTS (GCAs) Stop it now!!!!Support the NAACP!!!!

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I am saying no to the GCAs as posponed in Pennsylvania.

M. GAYLE MOSS, President, Pittsburgh Branch NAACP

-----Original Message-----

From: Frederick Douglas <frederickdouglas@cosmostechnologiesinc.com>

To: Marlon Barnett <drbarnett8@aol.com>

Sent: Thu, 12 Jun 2008 5:56 pm

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Marlon, this request was emailed to a wide distribution as you can see from the distribution list.

Fred

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Sent: Thursday, June 12, 2008 5:45:02 PM

Subject: FW: Fwd: GRADUATION COMPETENCY ASSESSMENTS (GCAs) Stop it now!!!!Support the NAACP!!!!

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From: Frederick Douglas [mailto:frederickdouglas@cosmostechnologiesinc.com]

Sent: Thursday, June 12, 2008 5:17 PM

To: crmcabee@comcast.net

Cc: Marlon Barnett; afinley@cosmostechnologiesinc.com; James Brown; djackson28@aol.com

Subject: Fw: Fwd: GRADUATION COMPETENCY ASSESSMENTS (GCAs)

Hi Cheryl,

This email is from Frederick Douglas of Cosmos Technologies. We are asking you to support the NAACP initiative to stop pending regulations which will in fact deny many, many students the opportunity to receive their high school diplomas if such students fail 6 out of 10 examinations in a set of new tests. The pending regulations is currently in the comment phase. We are trying to get as many people support the NAACP position in Pa which opposes new additional testing. In supporting the NAACP position and lending as many voices in the support of the NAACP position please send this email to your group distribution asking them to forward this email to the following address: jbuckheit@state.pa.us The Email should state that "we support the NAACP position against additional GRADUATION COMPETENCY ASSESSMENTS (GCAs). We only have until June 16th to submit this comment.

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: "drbarnett8@aol.com" <drbarnett8@aol.com>

To: frederickdouglas@cosmostechnologiesinc.com; frdlgn@hotmail.com;

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Sent: Thursday, June 12, 2008 3:21:10 PM

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Subject: Fwd: GRADUATION COMPETENCY ASSESSMENTS (GCAs)

Please support our children by saying "NO" to the GCAs. Send forward this document to jbuckheit@state.pa.us

We only have until June 16th to respond to Mr. Buckheit.

marilyn barnett

-----Original Message-----

From: drbarnett8@aol.com

To: ALMASFOX@VERIZON.NET; jbuckheit@state.pa.us; Drbarnett8@aol.com

Sent: Thu, 12 Jun 2008 3:16 pm

Subject: GRADUATION COMPETENCY ASSESSMENTS (GCAs)

TO: JIM BUCKHEIT jbuckheit@state.pa.us

FROM: Marilyn Barnett, Education Chair, NAACP Pittsburgh Branch

RE: GCAs

We, members of the NAACP and Pittsburgh Community stand in support with the Pittsburgh Branch of the NAACP in opposition to the GCAs. We understand the State Board of Education has proposed changes to Chapter 4 relating to academic Standards and assessments.

We further understand that failure of students to pass 6 of 10 examinations or a combination of PSSA, Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate tests will in fact deny many, many students the opportunity to receive their high school diplomas.

Hence, we support the position as developed by the NAACP branches across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania opposing any further testing of high school students and the denial of the high school diploma for students who may indeed fail a "high stakes test".

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