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TEXT OF A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT TO MR. EDWARD A. McCABE, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, STUDENT LOAN MARKETING ASSOCIATION

January 29, 1975

Dear Mr. McCabe:

I have today determined that sufficient common stock of the Student Loan Marketing Association has been purchased by educational institutions and banks or other financial institutions. Therefore, I request you to proceed with the election of directors by the stockholders. Enclosed herewith is the memorandum of determination.

Let me take this opportunity to thank you and all the members of the Interim Board of Directors for your efforts in guiding the Student Loan Marketing Association during its initial period of operation. I look forward to the future growth of the Association as an important source of funds for lenders who provide loans to postsecondary students.

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Sincerely,

GERALD R. FORD

Enclosure

Mr. Edward A. McCabe Chairman of the Board Student Loan Marketing Association 1750 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006

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