IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE NORTH CAROLINA SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION FILE NO. 20 CVS 8346 WAKE COUNTY 2:41 TAMIKA WALKER KELLY, KRISTY MOORE, AMANDA HOWELL, KATE () S.C. MEININGER, ELIZABETH MEININGER, JOHN SHERRY, and RIVCA RACHEL SANOGUEIRA, Plaintiffs, **PARENT-INTERVENORS'** v. **MOTION FOR DISMISSAL**/ JUDGMENT ON THE PLEADINGS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA and NORTH CAROLINA STATE EDUCATION ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY, Defendants, and PHILIP E. BERGER in his official capacity as President Pro Tempore of the North Carolina Senate, and TIMOTHY K. MOORE in his official capacity as Speaker of the North Carolina House of Representatives, Intervenor-Defendants, and JANET NUNN, CHRISTOPHER AND NICHOLE PEEDIN, and KATRINA POWERS, Parent-Intervenors.)

Parent-Intervenors Janet Nunn, Christopher and Nichole Peedin, and Katrina Powers respectfully move this Court to dismiss Plaintiffs' Complaint under North Carolina Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(1) and/or for judgment on the pleadings under Rule 12(c).

This Court should dismiss the Plaintiffs' claims under Rule 12(b) for the following reason: The Plaintiffs' claims fail, in whole or in part, because Plaintiffs lack standing and thus the Court lacks jurisdiction over the subject matter.

Even if this Court determines Plaintiffs have standing in whole or in part, judgment on the pleadings against Plaintiffs is nevertheless warranted under Rule 12(c) for the following reasons:

- 1. Plaintiffs' claims fail, in whole or in part, because they have failed to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.
- 2. Plaintiffs' claims fail, in whole or in part, because they seek a judicial decision that would violate the Establishment and Free Exercise Clauses of the First Amendment.
- 3. Plaintiffs' claims, in whole or in part, are barred by res judicata.

WHEREFORE, Parent-Intervenors Janet Nunn, Christopher and Nichole Peedin, and Katrina Powers respectfully request that this Court dismiss Plaintiffs' Complaint and/or issue judgment on the pleadings against Plaintiffs.

This 1st day of April 2021.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on the date listed below a copy of the foregoing Parent-Intervenors' Motion for Dismissal/Judgment on the Pleadings was served upon all parties to this matter via electronic mail and by placing a copy in the United States Mail, First Class, postage prepaid and addressed as follows:

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