



**CITY OF NEW BEDFORD**  
JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

September 20, 2018

City Council President Linda M. Morad, and  
Honorable Members of the City Council  
133 William Street  
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Council President Morad and Honorable Members of the City Council:

I am submitting for your approval an ORDER that the sum of **EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$800,000)** now standing to the credit of the account from Ordinary Revenue and Municipal Receipts be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

**SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.....\$800,000**

Sincerely,

Jonathan F. Mitchell  
Mayor

JFM/smt



# CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

## CITY COUNCIL

September 27, 2018

ORDERED: That the sum of **EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$800,000)** now standing to the credit of the account from Ordinary Revenue and Municipal Receipts be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

**SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.....\$800,000**

To be certified and approved by the Department Head



OFFICE OF THE CFO

ARI J. SKY  
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

September 19, 2018

**TO:** Mayor Jonathan F. Mitchell  
New Bedford City Council

**FROM:** Ari J. Sky

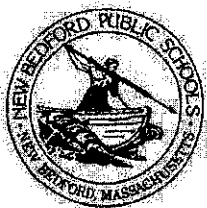
**SUBJECT:** Net School Spending – State Adopted Budget

The FY 2019 proposed budget incorporated estimates for State revenue as contained in the House Ways and Means budget, which was the most current version available at the time. The \$137,030,000 budget for the School Department reflected estimated Net School Spending requirements as described in Department of Elementary & Secondary Education's (DESE) preliminary guidance.

The State's FY 2019 budget, which was enacted at the end of July, included a number of revisions to local aid and assessments. Chapter 70 aid and Charter School reimbursements to the City were increased by \$1,407,823 over the House Ways & Means budget, while assessments for School Choice and Charter Schools were increased by \$421,884. Subsequent to budget adoption, DESE released updated guidance which indicate that compliance with the FY 2019 Net School Spending requirement will require an additional appropriation of about \$800,000.

Attached please find correspondence from the School Department requesting a supplemental appropriation to bring the FY 2019 budget into compliance with Net School Spending requirements. Thank you for your consideration, and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

*Attachment*



THOMAS ANDERSON  
SUPERINTENDENT

## NEW BEDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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EDUCATIONAL ACCESS & PATHWAYS

September 12, 2018

Mr. Ari J. Sky  
Chief Financial Officer  
City of New Bedford  
133 Williams Street, Room 301  
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Mr. Sky:

At the regular meeting of the New Bedford School Committee held on Monday evening, September 10, 2018, the Committee voted to approve the following:

Voted UNANIMOUSLY, on a motion by Jack Livramento and seconded by Joshua Amaral, to authorize the Mayor, as Chairman, to request supplemental budget appropriation of \$800K at the September 27<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting to account for FY19 Chapter 70 aid increase.

The Committee respectfully requests that the above mentioned item be placed on the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting for their consideration.

Sincerely,

  
Andrew O'Leary  
Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations  
New Bedford Public Schools

Cc: Thomas Anderson, Superintendent.  
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