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**Letter of Appeal** – Request for Waiver

To Whom It May Concern:

**Entity & BEN** Nightingale Montessori School 17003319

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**Application Type** Form 471 Application Number 181037427

**& Number**

**FRN** 1899072452

**Appeal Reason** Request for waiver – Out of Window Filing

**Proceeding No.** 02-6

**Appeal Explanation:**

On March 22nd I was working on eight Form 471s mostly from private schools who usually do not have a full-time technology person on staff and the person responsible for providing signed contracts usually provides them last minute.

All day my work was slowed by the Working pause at the top of each 471 page each time I clicked a box and since I had so many last day forms I did the shorter ones first and even working on them with the slower response was difficult.

As the day went on the speed did not improve and completing the Nightingale Montessori 471 with 20 FRN Line Items was not an easy task. I did complete the Nightingale Montessori School 471 and finally received a task to certify but by the time I completed the certification I am told that it was out of the F2018 filing window. The 471 was certified on March 23, 2018 at 1:02 AM.

I realize the importance of filing on time but with the difficulty of inputting data into the form that did not operate to its optimum I ask you to allow Nightingale Montessori School’s 471 to be considered for funding.

Your favorable consideration in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Mike McDermott, Consultant