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Dear Dr. Kretschmer,

The purpose of this letter is to convey the results of the recent CED Board vote concerning your teacher preparation program's approval by the Council on Education of the Deaf. After due consideration of the documents submitted by the panelists and yourself, the Board voted unanimously to approve the deaf education teacher preparation program at Teacher's College, with specializations in the areas of early childhood, elementary, multiple disabilities and secondary.

Your program's CED approval will expire on July 1, 2016, so you should plan on the next CED evaluation during the 2015–2016 academic year. That evaluation, as a “ten-year” review, will be a site visit review. Your program report at that time should address the concerns which arose from the current review as well as continued program development.

Your original certificate will follow at a later date. This recognizes both the quality of your program and the hard work that went into your preparation for a CED review. The CED Board members and officers join me in congratulating you on this very important accomplishment.

I wish you and your colleagues continued success as you prepare teachers for students who are deaf and hard of hearing.

Sincerely,

Gabriel A. (Tony) Martin, Ed.D.