## SMART START OF DAVIE COUNTY, INC. Mocksville, North Carolina

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2007

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## FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT REPORT OF

SMART START OF DAVIE COUNTY, INC.

MOCKSVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

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#### **AUDITOR'S TRANSMITTAL**

The Honorable Michael F. Easley, Governor The General Assembly of North Carolina Board of Directors, Smart Start of Davie County, Inc.

This report presents the results of the financial statement audit of the Smart Start of Davie County, Inc. for the year ended June 30, 2007. Clifton Gunderson LLP performed the audit under contract with the Office of the State Auditor, and their report is submitted herewith.

The audit of the Smart Start of Davie County, Inc. was made in conjunction with the Early Childhood Initiatives (Smart Start) program authorized by G.S. 143B-168.10-16. This statute created The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc. and required the implementation of local partnerships. The Smart Start of Davie County, Inc. is one of these local partnerships. As such, the Smart Start of Davie County, Inc. is a private nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization and is required by G.S. 143B-168.14(b) to have a financial and compliance audit conducted by the State Auditor. The State Auditor's authority to perform or coordinate all audit functions for state government is set forth in Article 5 of Chapter 147 of the *North Carolina General Statutes*.

North Carolina General Statutes require the State Auditor to make audit reports available to the public. Copies of all audit reports issued by the Office of the State Auditor may be obtained through one of the options listed on the back of this report.

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State Auditor

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors Smart Start of Davie County, Inc. Mocksville, North Carolina

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets – Modified Cash Basis of the Smart Start of Davie County, Inc. (Davie Partnership) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, and the related Statement of Functional Expenditures – Modified Cash Basis for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Davie Partnership's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, the accompanying financial statements were prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets of the Smart Start of Davie County, Inc. as of June 30, 2007, and its receipts and expenditures for the year then ended, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 31, 2008, on our consideration of the Davie Partnership's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.



#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONCLUDED)

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Smart Start of Davie County, Inc.'s basic financial statements. The information in Schedules 1 through 5 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Schedules 1, 3, 4 and 5 have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information in Schedule 2 has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on Schedule 2.

Raleigh, North Carolina January 31, 2008

Clifton Genderson LLP

	Unrestrict		ed Fui	nds	Ter	nporarily		
	Sn	nart Start		Other	Restricted		Total	
Pagainta		Fund		Funds		Funds		Funds
Receipts: State Awards	\$	472,572	\$	12,000	\$	_	\$	484,572
Federal Awards	Ψ	-12,512	Ψ	8,085	Ψ	_	Ψ	8,085
Private Contributions		_		27,154		49,590		76,744
Special Fund Raising Events		_		163		-		163
Interest and Investment Earnings		-		1,129		_		1,129
Sales Tax Refunds		-		2,545		_		2,545
Other Receipts				765				765
Total Receipts		472,572		51,841		49,590		574,003
Net Assets Released from Restrictions:								
Satisfaction of Program Restrictions				28,423		(28,423)		-
		472,572		80,264		21,167		574,003
Expenditures:								
Programs:								
Child Care and Education Quality		156,035		12,146		-		168,181
Family Support		106,638		46,299		-		152,937
Health and Safety Support:		67,915		-		-		67,915
Fund Raising		-		23		-		23
Management and General		120,705		13,475		-		134,180
Program Coordination		21,279		-		-		21,279
Other:								
Sales Tax Paid				2,350				2,350
Total Expenditures		472,572		74,293		-		546,865
Excess of Receipts Over Expenditures		-		5,971		21,167		27,138
Net Assets at Beginning of Year		-		7,422		28,423		35,845
Net Assets at End of Year	\$	-	\$	13,393	\$	49,590	\$	62,983
Net Assets Consisted of:								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	1,832	\$	13,393	\$	49,590	\$	64,815
Refunds Due From Contractors		799						799
		2,631		13,393		49,590		65,614
Less: Due to the State		2,714		-		_		2,714
Funds Held for Others		(83)						(83)
	\$		\$	13,393	\$	49,590	\$	62,983

	Total	P	ersonnel	 ntracted ervices	upplies and aterials	Other Operating spenditures	а	Fixed Charges nd Other penditures	E	operty and quipment Outlay	Co	ervices/ ontracts/ Grants
Smart Start Fund:												
Programs:												
Child Care and Education Quality	\$ 156,035	\$	56,172	\$ 637	\$ 5,165	\$ 10,168	\$	7,052	\$	3,150	\$	73,691
Family Support	106,638		22,067	222	3,236	19,017		1,711		108		60,277
Health and Safety	67,915			 	-	-		-		-		67,915
	330,588		78,239	859	8,401	29,185		8,763		3,258		201,883
Support:												
Management and General	120,705		93,294	2,703	2,749	10,406		6,307		5,246		-
Program Coordination	21,279		13,427	 6,577	38	557		256		424		-
	141,984		106,721	9,280	 2,787	10,963		6,563		5,670		
Total Smart Start Fund Expenditures	\$ 472,572	\$	184,960	\$ 10,139	\$ 11,188	\$ 40,148	\$	15,326	\$	8,928	\$	201,883
Other Funds:												
Programs:												
Child Care and Education Quality	\$ 12,146	\$	10,068	\$ 35	\$ 828	\$ 767	\$	331	\$	117	\$	-
Family Support	46,299				11,229	5,070		<u> </u>		-		30,000
	58,445		10,068	35	12,057	5,837		331		117		30,000
Support:												
Fund Raising	23		-	-	23	-		-		=		-
Management and General	13,475		606	 9,733	 821	 1,556		520		239		-
Other	13,498		606	 9,733	 844	1,556		520		239		-
Other: Sales Tax Paid	0.050				0.050							
Sales Lax Pald	2,350 2,350		<del>-</del>	 <u>-</u> -	 2,350 2,350	-		<del>-</del>		-		
Total Other Funds Expenditures	\$ 74,293	\$	10,674	\$ 9,768	\$ 15,251	\$ 7,393	\$	851	\$	356	\$	30,000

#### NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- A. Organization and Purpose The Smart Start of Davie County, Inc. (Davie Partnership) is a legally separate nonprofit organization incorporated on November 24, 1997. The Davie Partnership was established to develop and provide, through public and private means, early childhood education and developmental services for children and families. The Davie Partnership is taxexempt as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- **B. Basis of Presentation** The accompanying financial statements present all funds for which the Davie Partnership's Board of Directors is responsible. Pursuant to the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 117, *Financial Statements of Not-For-Profit Organizations*, the accompanying financial statements present information according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets. As permitted by this statement, temporarily restricted contributions received and expended in the same year are reported as unrestricted receipts rather than as temporarily restricted receipts.

Contributions that are temporarily restricted and not expended within the year received are reported as an increase in temporarily restricted net assets. When the restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets as net assets released from restrictions.

The Davie Partnership did not have any permanently restricted net assets at June 30, 2007.

C. Basis of Accounting - The accompanying financial statements were prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting. This basis differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America primarily because it recognizes long-lived assets and other costs which benefit more than one period as expended in the year purchased; it does not recognize the value of contributed goods and services; it recognizes revenue when received rather than when earned; and it recognizes expenditures when paid rather than when incurred.

However, unexpended advances to contractors that revert back to the State of North Carolina are recognized as a reduction to expenditures and an increase to net assets. Amounts withheld from employee paychecks or other amounts received in an agency capacity are recorded as funds held for others. In addition, Smart Start funds advanced to the local Partnership that are unexpended and unearned at year-end are recorded as a Due to the State.

#### NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

- **D. Cash and Cash Equivalents** This classification appears on the Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets Modified Cash Basis and includes all demand and savings accounts and certificate of deposits or short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less.
- **E. Refunds Due From Contractors** Refunds due from contractors represent the unexpended amount of advances to contractors at year-end that are to be refunded back to the State. As recoveries are collected, the receivable balance is reduced. Payments to the State for the recovered advances are recorded as a reduction to the State awards balance.
- **F. Due to the State** The funding provided by the State of North Carolina for the Smart Start Program is funded on a cost reimbursement basis. The money is earned to the extent of allowable costs incurred. Any unexpended funds as of June 30 are required to be reverted to The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc. to be returned to the State of North Carolina.
- **G. Funds Held For Others** Funds held for others includes amounts received that are fiduciary in nature in which the Davie Partnership acts in an agency capacity. For the year ended, the Davie Partnership was awaiting collection of short-term disability payments from employee paychecks to cover payments the Partnership had made to taxing authorities.
- H. Property and Equipment Under the modified cash basis of accounting, purchases of property and equipment are reported as expenditures in the year occurred. However, Davie Partnership is required by contract regulation to track and maintain property and equipment items as presented in Schedule 4 of this report. The Davie Partnership has a policy to track purchases of property and equipment items with an individual cost of \$500 or more and an estimated useful life greater than one year. Such items are valued at their original purchase price, which may be different from their valuation as of June 30, 2007. Donated items are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.
- I. Compensated Absences As a result of the use of the modified cash basis of accounting, liabilities related to accrued compensated absences are not recorded in the financial statements. Expenditures related to compensated absences are recorded when paid. The amount of accrued compensated absences for accumulated, unpaid leave that would be due to employees upon termination is reported as a commitment in Note 8.

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#### NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

J. Use of Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting used by the Davie Partnership requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures (such as allocation of joint costs); accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates. It is management's belief that these estimates are reasonable and fair.

#### NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS

All funds of the Davie Partnership are deposited with a commercial bank and insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$100,000. Deposits over this amount subjects the Davie Partnership to a concentration of credit risk. At June 30, 2007, the Davie Partnership's bank deposits in excess of the FDIC insured limit was \$2,892.

#### NOTE 3 - FUNDING FROM GRANT AWARDS

**Smart Start Program** - The Davie Partnership's major source of revenue and support is from the State of North Carolina based on cost-reimbursement contracts with The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc. (NCPC) for the Smart Start Program. A significant reduction in the level of funding from the State could have an adverse effect on the operations of the Davie Partnership and represents a concentration of credit risk as to the generation of revenue.

Associated with these contracts, the Davie Partnership is responsible for developing a comprehensive, collaborative, long-range plan of services to children and families for the service-delivery area. During the year, the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) entered into contracts with and made payments to service providers selected by the Davie Partnership. These service provider contracts are not reflected on the accompanying financial statements. However, a summary of the service provider contracts entered into by DHHS is presented on Schedule 2 accompanying the financial statements.

The Davie Partnership was awarded and has received \$475,286 under a current year Smart Start contract with NCPC. The unexpended balance of this contract is subject to reversion to the State. The Davie Partnership has returned \$2,714 of this contract to the State based on financial status reports submitted to NCPC subsequent to June 30, 2007.

The Davie Partnership expects to receive continued funding through new Smart Start contracts with the State.

#### NOTE 4 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

**Service Provider Contracts with Board Member Organizations** - The board members of the Davie Partnership are representative of various organizations that benefit from actions taken by the Board. It is the policy of the Davie Partnership that board members not be involved with decisions regarding organizations they represent. During the year, the Davie Partnership entered into contracts with board member organizations for program activities as identified on Schedule 1 accompanying the financial statements.

#### NOTE 5 - FUNCTIONAL EXPENDITURES

The costs of providing the various programs and activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets – Modified Cash Basis. Also, the Statement of Functional Expenditures – Modified Cash Basis, provides detail of the functional costs by their natural classification. Following are the services associated with the functional categories presented in the accompanying financial statements and the methods utilized to allocate joint cost:

#### A. Program Functions

Child Care and Education Quality - Used to account for service activities including quality enhancement grants to improve quality, child care resource and referral services, learning materials and teaching aids, and kindergarten orientation/transition.

**Family Support** - Used to account for service activities including ongoing parenting education, literacy projects, community outreach information and resources.

**Health and Safety** - Used to account for service activities including child care health consultants.

#### **B.** Support Functions

**Fundraising** - Expenditures incurred to raise funds in furtherance of the programs and services offered.

**Management and General** - Expenditures that are not identifiable with a single program or fund-raising activity but are indispensable to the conduct of those activities and to an organization's existence, including expenditures for the overall direction of the organization, its general board activities, business management, general recordkeeping, budgeting, and related purposes.

#### NOTE 5 - FUNCTIONAL EXPENDITURES (CONTINUED)

#### B. Support Functions (continued)

**Program Coordination** - Expenditures that are incurred to coordinate the policies, procedures, and daily practices of service delivery. Also, costs associated with monitoring in-house and direct service provider activities.

#### C. Allocation of Joint Costs

Expenditures benefiting more than one purpose were allocated as follows:

Salaries and Benefits - Direct allocation based on employee time reports.

**Other Costs** - Other costs including occupancy cost (rent, utilities and maintenance), supplies and materials, and communication costs (telephone and printing) were allocated based on utilization data.

#### NOTE 6 - PENSION PLAN

- A. Retirement Plans The Davie Partnership has a Simplified Employee Pension Plan (SEP Plan) covering all full-time employees. Each full-time employee of the Davie Partnership, as a condition of employment, is provided an Individual Retirement Account through an outside insurance company. The Davie Partnership contributed 5% of gross wages for the year ended June 30, 2007. The Davie Partnership does not own the accounts nor is it liable for any other cost other than the required contribution. The Davie Partnership contributed \$6,267 for pension benefits during the year.
- **B.** IRC Section 403(b) Plan All permanent employees who are at least half time can participate in a tax sheltered annuity plan (Plan) created under Internal Revenue Code Section 403(b). The employee's eligible contributions, made through salary reduction agreements, are exempt from federal and state income taxes until the annuity is received or the contributions are withdrawn. These Plans are exclusively for employees of universities and certain charitable and other nonprofit organizations. All costs of administering and funding these Plans are the responsibility of the Plan participants. No costs were incurred by the Davie Partnership.

#### NOTE 7 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Davie Partnership is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; employees' health and life; and natural disasters. The Davie Partnership manages these various risks of loss as follows:

Type of Loss	Method Managed	Risk of Loss <u>Retained</u>
Torts, errors and omissions, health and life	Purchased commercial insurance	None
Workers Compensation – Employee injuries	Purchased commercial insurance	None
Physical property loss and natural disasters	Purchased commercial insurance	None

#### **NOTE 7 - RISK MANAGEMENT** (CONTINUED)

Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant losses to the Davie Partnership. Settled claims have not exceeded this insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

#### NOTE 8 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

**Compensated Absences** – As a result of the Davie Partnership's use of the modified cash basis of accounting, accrued liabilities related to compensated absences (vacation only; sick leave does not vest) and any employer-related costs earned and unpaid, are not reflected in the financial statements. The compensated absences commitment for vacation leave at June 30, 2007, is \$2,548. No funds or reservation of net assets has been made for this commitment.

#### NOTE 9 - RESTRICTIONS ON NET ASSETS

**A. Temporarily Restricted Net Assets** - Temporarily restricted net assets at June 30, 2007, are available for the following purposes:

Purpose	_	 Amount
Imagination Library	<u>-</u>	\$ 49,590

**B.** Net Assets Released From Donor Restrictions - Net assets were released from donor restrictions during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, by incurring expenditures satisfying the restricted purposes as follows:

Purpose Purpose	Amount		
KidsFest	\$	289	
Imagination Library		13,134	
Parents as Teachers Expansion Grant		15,000	
	\$	28,423	

		Smart Sta	ırt Fun	Other Funds				
		Refund		Amount		Refund		
Organization Name	Ad	dvanced	i	Due	Ad	vanced		Due
Paid to Organizations:								
Davie County Health Department	\$	68,714	\$	799	\$	-	\$	-
Davie County Schools *		61,691		-		-		-
NC Cooperative Extension - Davie County Center *		60,277	_			30,000		-
		190,682		799		30,000		-
Paid to Individuals:								
Education Incentives		11,000		-		-		-
Debra Stanley *		1,000	-		1			-
		12,000		-				-
	\$	202,682	\$	799	\$	30,000	\$	-

<sup>\*</sup> These organizations are represented on the Partnership's Board as described in Note 4 - Service Provider Contracts with Board Member Organizations.

Organization Name	DHHS Contracts			
Child Care Services Association  Davie County Department of Social Services *	\$ 40,635 177,199			
	\$ 217,834			

The information on this schedule provides a listing of service provider contracts entered into by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) as described in Note 3 - Funding from Grant Awards.

<sup>\*</sup> These organizations are represented on the Partnership's Board as described in Note 4 - Service Provider Contracts with Board Member Organizations.

### Smart Start of Davie County, Inc. Schedule of Federal and State Awards – Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

Schedule 3

Federal/State Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program	Federal CFDA Number	Contract #	Receipts	Expenditures	
Federal Awards:					
Department of Health and Human Services					
Passed Through North Carolina Department of Health and Human					
Services and Winston Salem Work Family Resource Center					
Child Care Resource & Referral (Current Year)	93.575	13-07-03	\$ 6,930	\$	7,738
Child Care Resource & Referral (Prior Year)	93.575	13-06-03	1,155		-
Total Federal Awards			8,085		7,738
State Awards:					
North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services					
Division of Child Development					
Pass-through from the North Carolina Partnership for					
Children, Inc.					
Early Childhood Initiatives Program *			472,572		472,572
Multi-County Accounting and Contracting Grant			12,000		11,916
Total State Awards			484,572		484,488
Total Federal and State Awards			\$ 492,657	\$	492,226

<sup>\*</sup> Programs with compliance requirements that have a direct and material effect on the financial statements.

### Smart Start of Davie County, Inc. Schedule of Property and Equipment – Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

Schedule 4

Furniture and Noncomputer Equipment Computer Equipment/Printers	\$ 17,646 20,869
Total Property and Equipment	\$ 38,515

Note: The information on this schedule provides a summary of property and equipment with acquisition or donated cost of \$500 or more which were held by the Partnership at year-end. The valuations represent historical cost. On the modified basis of accounting, these items are expensed in the year of purchase.

Cash In-Kind Goods and Services	\$  24,282 38,004 62,286
Match Provided at the Contractor Level:	
Cash In-Kind Goods and Services	\$ 20,579 15,200
	\$ 35,779

Note: This schedule is presented in accordance with the program match requirement as provided for by North Carolina Session Law 2005-276, Section 10.64(c). The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc. and all local partnerships are required to match the total amount budgeted for the Smart Start Program in each fiscal year. The match is comprised of both cash and in-kind amounts. Only in-kind contributions that are verifiable, quantifiable, and related to the Smart Start Program can be applied to the in-kind match requirement, including volunteer services. The law allows for volunteer services to be valued for match purposes, a concept that deviates from generally accepted accounting principles. This schedule identifies those amounts allowable for this partnership in meeting the statewide match requirement.



# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Directors Smart Start of Davie County, Inc. Mocksville, North Carolina

We have audited the financial statements of the Smart Start of Davie County, Inc. (Davie Partnership) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated January 31, 2008. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

As described in Note 1, the accompanying financial statements were prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Davie Partnership's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Davie Partnership's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Davie Partnership's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Davie Partnership's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Davie Partnership's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Davie Partnership's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Davie Partnership's internal control.



# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS (CONCLUDED)

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Davie Partnership's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We noted certain matters that we reported to management of Davie Partnership in a separate letter dated January 31, 2008.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Davie Partnership's Board of Directors, management of the Davie Partnership, The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc., the Governor, and the General Assembly of North Carolina and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Raleigh, North Carolina

Clifton Genderson LLP

January 31, 2008

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