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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This is to confirm the participation of the Dearborn Public Schools and the Dearborn Federation of Teachers in a project, sponsored by the American Federation of Teachers (AFT), Albert Shanker Institute (ASI), AFT Innovation Fund, and Share My Lesson, titled *Educating American Youth for Democratic Citizenship*. The goal of the project is to develop and disseminate instructional materials to improve citizenship education in American schools.

The parties agree to select five (5) expert teachers to act as “teaching fellows” for the project and a coordinator to schedule meetings and facilitate work among the fellows. The project’s aim is to facilitate the development and broad dissemination of materials and supports that will help K12 educators employ “Action Civics” well. To this end, the AFT and its partners will leverage the well-established resource sharing platform, Share My Lesson, to ensure that civic materials reach a meaningful portion of the U.S. teaching force, with the ultimate goal of supporting educators in the creation of a civic learning community to co-develop and share lesson plans, strategies, videotaped model lessons, and other professional development resources that build the civic education field for the benefit of students.

For the videotaped model lessons, both the teachers and the students who will participate in the taping will need to sign video release forms. Most districts have such forms, but if not, the AFT is happy to provide them. If you have any questions about the project, please contact Burnie Bond at ebond@ashankerinst.org or ythomas@ashankerinst.org.

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Date

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