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Governing Board
Gila Bend Unified School District
777 N. Logan Ave.
Gila Bend, AZ 85337

Dear Members of the Board:

Today, we issued a letter to the Arizona State Board of Education (State Board) to notify the State Board that Gila Bend Unified School District is no longer in noncompliance with the *Uniform System of Financial Records for Arizona School Districts* (USFR) based on our review of all available information in the District's fiscal year (FY) 2024 financial audit reports and USFR Compliance Questionnaire (Questionnaire).

Please be advised that the District's FY 2024 audit reports and Questionnaire include 16 outstanding deficiencies that the District must act to correct, and its future audit reports must reflect that these deficiencies have been corrected. The area containing the most significant deficiencies is Information Technology, risking the accuracy, reliability, and security of District data.

If you have any questions, please contact Chris Votroubek, Accountability Services Division Manager, or me at asd@azauditor.gov or (602) 977-2796.

Sincerely,

Meghan L. Hieger

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Director, Accountability Services Division

cc: Robert Varner, Superintendent
Sherry Wallace, Director of Business & Finance
Gila Bend Unified School District
The Honorable Shelli Boggs, Maricopa County School Superintendent
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