

ATTACHMENT E:
IRB Notice of Review and Exemption

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Office of Research Integrity and Outreach

Date: May 9, 2024

To: James Murdoch,
(Matthew Malone)

Protocol #: IRB-2024-98

Approval Date: May 9, 2024

Study Admin Check-in Date: May 8, 2027

RE: NEA HBCU Research Study

Decision: Exempt

Notice of Review and Exemption - 45 CFR 46.104

The Office of Research Integrity and Outreach (ORIO) has reviewed the project identified above. This research study has been granted an exemption from Institutional Review Board (IRB) review per 45 CFR 46.104. This exemption is based on the assumption that the materials submitted to the ORIO contain a complete and accurate description of all ways human subjects are involved

in the research.

This exemption is given with the following terms:

- You will conduct the research according to the plans and protocol submitted;
- You will immediately inform the Office of Research Integrity and Outreach (ORIO) of any injuries or adverse research events involving subjects;
- You will immediately request a review from the ORIO of any proposed changes in your research, and you will not initiate any changes until they have been reviewed by the ORIO;
- As applicable, you will comply with the University of Maine System Information Security Policy and Standards, the Muskie School of Public Service Securing Protected Information Policies and Procedures, and any other applicable USM policies or procedures and
- You will submit a Final Report upon completion or discontinuation of the research.

The Office of Research Integrity and Outreach and the USM Institutional Review Board appreciate your efforts to conduct research in compliance with federal regulations established to protect human subjects in research. If you have any questions, please contact us at 207-780-4517 or email usmorio@maine.edu.

Sincerely,

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