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Northrop Named Executive Director of Center for Charter Schools

MT. PLEASANT, MI — The Governor John Engler Center for Charter Schools is beginning a new phase as an organization today with the announcement of Corey Northrop as the Center's new executive director. Northrop has served as the Center's interim executive director since the retirement of Cindy Schumacher in December 2017.

"I am honored to lead an organization that has a history of setting the standard in charter authorizing," said Northrop following the announcement of his new role. "The impact a quality education has on the life of a child is our motivation every day and why we are committed to providing choices to families across the state."

Northrop has been a champion for providing educational options to families during his service at the Center over the past 12 years. He began his career at the Center as the director of fiscal performance and accountability and also served as one of the Center's deputy directors. As deputy director, Northrop led several areas of the Center including, new school development, general administration, information technology and university relations.

Northrop will begin serving in his role as executive director effective today.

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About The Governor John Engler Center for Charter Schools

CMU, the first university authorizer of charter public schools, is a state and national leader in the charter school movement, with over 20 years of experience launching, supporting and overseeing charter public schools. CMU created The Governor John Engler Center for Charter Schools to support the schools it charters. The University currently authorizes 58 schools serving more than 28,000 students throughout the state. For more information, please visit <u>www.TheCenterForCharters.org.</u>