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Honorable Governor Gavin Newsom Governor of the State of California 1303 10th Street, Suite 1173 Sacramento, CA 95814

Governor Newsom,

The Mountain View Whisman School District Board of Trustees urges you to support Senate Bill 126, which requires that California charter school boards comply with the same open meeting, conflict-of-interest and disclosure laws as district school boards, including holding public board meetings, opening records to the public upon request and ensuring board members don't have a financial interest in contracts on which they vote.

In December 2018, the Mountain View Whisman School District Board of Trustees approved the charter for Bullis Mountain View, an expansion of the Bullis Charter School located in Los Altos. Transparency of the meetings, records and financial information will greatly enhance the District's ability to provide appropriate oversight to the new Bullis Mountain View Charter School.

The Mountain View Whisman School District Board of Trustees strongly encourages you to support and sign SB 126 when it reaches your desk.

Sincerely,

Tamara Wilson President Jose Gutierrez, Jr. Vice President

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