Mountain View Whisman School District Resolution No. <u>1659.10/17</u>

Findings and Adoption of Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and Approval of the New Slater Campus Project

WHEREAS, the voters of the Mountain View Whisman School District ("District") approved general, local bond Measure G, that included redevelopment of the Kenneth N. Slater School; and,

WHEREAS, the District developed the Proposed New Slater Campus Project located at 220 North Whisman Road, in the City of Mountain View, CA ("Proposed Project") to redevelop the former Kenneth N. Slater School into a new elementary school campus; and,

WHEREAS, the Proposed Project consists of demolishing seven existing portable buildings that are currently used by the County Office of Education and the District's Special Needs Preschool, constructing one- and two-story buildings, housing 21 classrooms and four toilet rooms including: a two-story, 2,880-sf classroom building; a two-story, 6,240-sf classroom building; a one-story, 2,880-sf administration building; a one-story, 6,288-sf multi-use room; and three, one-story, 960-sf portable "flex" classrooms on concrete foundations. The total new building square footage would be 39,908 sf compared to the existing 9,600 sf of building space. Total site development would be 27,000 sf of building footprint; 17,500 sf of concrete paving; 54,300 sf of asphalt paving; 112,000 sf (2.57 acres) of play fields; and 9,000 sf of landscaped area. The play fields would continue to be used by the public when not in school use; and,

WHEREAS, a pick-up and drop-off loop and 48-space parking lot would be constructed along the eastern frontage, and the entry would align with Pacific Drive. Approximately 20 trees would be removed for project construction. The new school would have a capacity of 450 students including 72 kindergarteners, with approximately 25 staff, including teachers; and,

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") requires the District to evaluate and determine whether the Project could create significant environmental impacts and develop and adopt feasible mitigation measures to reduce such impacts to less than significant; and,

WHEREAS, the District engaged Grassetti Environmental Consulting ("Grassetti") to conduct CEQA review of the Project; and,

WHEREAS, Grassetti conducted an Initial Study ("IS") of the Project and determined that it could potentially create significant environmental impacts to air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology, soil erosion, hydrology/water quality, noise, and traffic but that implementation of certain mitigation measures would reduce such impacts to less than significant and that a Mitigated Negative Declaration ("MND") is the appropriate environmental document; and,

WHEREAS, Grassetti prepared an MND that describes the Project, analyzes the potential environmental impacts, and identifies mitigation measures to reduce those significant environmental impacts to less than significant; and,

WHEREAS, the MND was noticed and circulated for public comment according to CEQA's procedures; and,

WHEREAS, the District received one comment letter during the comment period from the City of Mountain View Public Works Department; and,

WHEREAS, Grassetti prepared a response to the comment (included as an Appendix) and a final MND and determined that the comments do not provide a fair argument or substantial evidence that a potentially significant environmental impact would result from the mitigated Project or require substantial revision of the MND, and thus, the MND need not be recirculated for additional public comments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mountain View Whisman School District Board of Trustees ("Board") hereby finds, based upon the Project Description, proposed MND, final MND, Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, Board Item, all referenced and relied upon documents, and the whole of the record of proceedings, as follows:

- 1. The District has considered the comment received on the MND in conjunction with the MND and the response.
- 2. No new significant environmental impact has been identified by the comment and response and no further mitigation measures or Project revisions are required to reduce an environmental impact to less than significant.
- 3. The response to the comment and revisions included in the final MND merely clarify, amplify, and elaborate on the environmental information in the proposed MND.
- 4. Recirculation of the MND is not required.
- 5. There is no fair argument or substantial evidence that the mitigated Project will have a potentially significant effect on the environment, and an environmental impact report is not required.
- 6. This Resolution wholly reflects the District's independent judgment and analysis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby adopts:

- 1. The final MND prepared by Grassetti.
- 2. The Project's Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board directs the Associate Superintendent to serve as the custodian of the documents and other materials that constitute the record of proceedings upon which the Board's decision is based. The record of proceedings shall be maintained at the District's offices at 750 San Pierre Way A, Mountain View, California 94043.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board directs the Associate Superintendent to file with the County Clerk and State Clearinghouse a Notice of Determination for the approval of the Project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY the Governing Board of the Mountain View Whisman School District this 5th day of October 2017, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTIONS:

Clerk of the Board of Trustees Mountain View Whisman School District Santa Clara County, California