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Dear Dr. Goldson:

This letter is in response to your September 27, 2019 correspondence related to the Prince George's County Board of Education's ("Board") approval of a Resolution for General Terms for Alternative Construction Financing ("ACF") Package 1 under a Public-Private Partnership Model. The County Council appreciated the briefing on the FY 2021-2026 Capital Improvement and ACF Programs in the Council's Education and Workforce Development (EWD) Committee on October 2, 2019.

The Council understands from the Board's Resolution that the decision on the selection of middle schools only, at this juncture, will allow for standardization of materials and specifications, thereby realizing further cost savings in terms of economies of scale. We also understand that at least six middle schools - new Adelphi Area Middle School, Drew-Freeman Middle School, Hyattsville Middle School, Southern Area K-8 Academy, Kenmoor Middle School and Walker Mill Middle School – will be included in the Prince George's County Public School System's Request for Proposal (RFP) to be issued and reflects a balanced approach in terms of geographic location, overcrowding, resource allocation and met the criteria established under the School system procurement.

As discussed during the EWD Committee briefing, please keep in mind the County Council's and Board's stated policy commitments to support, to the maximum amount allowed by law, local, minority, women, small and veteran owned business participation in performing all related services associated with this long-term contract, including design, build, operations and maintenance, including consideration of a minimum twenty percent (20%) participation level for county-based minority business enterprises and the inclusion of Prevailing Wage requirements.

The Council believes the Board's Resolution demonstrates an unparalleled commitment to addressing the school overcrowding issue as well as decreasing the backlog of construction projects. It is the County Council's sincere hope and expectation that this procurement will yield a true alternative to the way in which Prince George's County funds public school construction in the future. Thank you and your team for the hard work to get us to this point.

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Sincerely,

Hon. Todd M. Turner

Council Chair

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