Department of Education

Joel I. Klein
Chancellor

Amended Notice
February 4, 2010

Educational Impact Statement

I. Description of the subject and purpose of the proposed item under consideration.

In the 2010-2011 school year, Metropolitan Lighthouse Charter School ("Metropolitan Lighthouse"), a new charter school that will serve grades K-12 at scale, will open and be temporarily housed in school buildings X093 (hereinafter referred to as "X093") and minischool building X893 (hereinafter referred to as "X893"), located at 1535 Story Avenue, Bronx, in Community School District 8 ("District 8"). Metropolitan Lighthouse will open in 2010-2011 with approximately130-140 students in Kindergarten and grades 1 and 2, and will add one grade each school year until it is at scale in 2021-2022. The long-term site for Metropolitan Lighthouse that would serve the full organizational needs of the school at its full grade scale has yet to be determined.

Metropolitan Lighthouse will be co-located in X093 and X893 with P.S. 93 Albert G. Oliver ("P.S. 93") beginning in the 2010-2011 school year. The 2008-2009 target capacity of X093 was 513, and its target utilization rate was 72%. The 2008-2009 target capacity of X893 was 157 and its target utilization rate was 103%. P.S. 93 is currently co-located in the buildings with Carl C. Icahn North Bronx Charter School ("Icahn North"). Icahn North, however, is moving out of the building prior to the start of the 2010-2011 school year. Thus, there will be sufficient space in X093 and X893 for Metropolitan Lighthouse and P.S. 93 to operate at full organizational capacity in 2010-2011.

The co-location of Metropolitan Lighthouse in X093 and X893 will help to address elementary school overcrowding in Soundview, and will serve to increase access to high quality elementary school options for students residing in District 8.

II. Information regarding where the full text of the proposed item may be obtained.

The Educational Impact Statement can be found on the Department of Education's Web site: http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/Proposals_Feb_Vote

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D08Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.

Oral comments can be left at 718-935-4158.

IV. The name, office, address, email and telephone number of the city district representative, knowledgeable on the item under consideration, from whom information may be obtained concerning the item

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V. Date, time and place of joint public hearing for this proposal.

February 22 at 4:00pm
1535 Story Avenue, Bronx

VI. Date, time and place of the PEP meeting at which the Board will vote on the proposed item.

February 24, 2010
6:00pm
The High School of Fashion Industries
225 West 24 Street, Manhattan