

Resolution Regarding Approval of the Proposed Co-location of a New Public Charter School, Success Academy Charter School, with Existing Schools in the Brandeis Educational Campus

WHEREAS, in accordance with Education Law § 2590-h(2-a), the Chancellor prepared an educational impact statement, published and filed on December 17, 2010, on the proposed co-location of a new public charter school, Success Academy Charter School (“SACS”), with existing schools (Louis D. Brandeis High School (03M470), The Urban Assembly School for Green Careers (03M402), The Global Learning Collaborative (03M403), Innovation Diploma Plus (03M404), and Frank McCourt High School (03M417)) in the Brandeis Educational Campus (“Brandeis Campus”); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Education Law § 2590-g(8), the Panel for Educational Policy (the “Panel”) undertook a public review process for review and comment on the proposed co-location of SACS, with existing schools in the Brandeis Campus; and

WHEREAS, such review process included notice of the proposal via the New York City Department of Education’s (the “Department”) internet website and circulation of the notice of the proposal to all community superintendents, community district education councils, community boards, and school based management teams; and

WHEREAS, such notice further included: a) a description of the purpose and substance of the co-location; b) information regarding where the full text of the proposal could be obtained; c) the name, office, address, email and telephone number of the Department representative from whom information concerning the proposal could be obtained; d) the date, time, and place of any hearing on the proposal; e) the date, time and place of the meeting of the Panel at which the Panel will vote on the proposal; and f) information on how to submit written or oral comments regarding the proposal; and

WHEREAS, such notice and public review process commenced on December 17, 2010, at least forty-five days in advance of the February 1, 2011 meeting of the Panel at which the proposed co-location of SACS with existing schools in the Brandeis Campus came before the Panel for a vote; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Education Law § 2590-h(2-a)(d-1), the Chancellor has held a joint public hearing on the proposal with the District 3 Community Education Council and the impacted school leadership teams at which all interested parties had an opportunity to present comments or concerns on the proposal; and

WHEREAS, following the public review and comment period, the Panel made available to the public, including via the Department’s internet web site, an assessment of all public comments concerning the proposed co-location of SACS with existing schools in the Brandeis Campus; and

WHEREAS, the assessment of public comments included a summary and analysis of the issues raised and any significant suggested alternatives; reasons why any significant alternatives were not incorporated into the proposed co-location of SACS with existing schools in the Brandeis Campus; a description of any changes to the proposed co-location of SACS with existing schools

in the Brandeis Campus as a result of the public comments; and information regarding where the full text of any approved proposed co-location of SACS with existing schools in the Brandeis Campus may be obtained; and

WHEREAS, in response to public feedback, the Department has recommended that SACS apply to SUNY for a revision of its charter to provide higher admissions preference to all applicants from Community School District 3

WHEREAS, SACS has indicated that it accepts the Department's recommendation and will apply for a revision of its charter in order to provide higher admissions preference to all applicants from Community School District 3; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Law § 2857(1), once SACS applies for a revision of its charter, the Department will hold a public hearing to solicit public comment on the proposed revision of SACS's charter to provide higher admissions preference to all applicants from Community School District 3; and

WHEREAS, the Chancellor recommends that the Panel for Educational Policy approve the proposed co-location of SACS with existing schools in the Brandeis Campus, regardless of the outcome of any charter revision application; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Panel for Educational Policy to approve the proposed co-location of SACS with existing schools in the Brandeis Campus, regardless of the outcome of any charter revision application; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Education Law § 2590-g, the Panel for Educational Policy hereby approves the proposed co-location of a new public charter school, Success Academy Charter School, with existing schools in the Brandeis Educational Campus.