Resolution Regarding Approval of the Proposed Co-location of a New High School, New School 1 (02M533), with Washington Irving High School (02M460), Gramercy Arts High School (02M374), High School for Language and Diplomacy (02M399), International High School at Union Square (02M438), and The Academy for Software Engineering (02M546), in School Building M460, Beginning in 2012-2013

WHEREAS, in accordance with Education Law § 2590-h(2-a), the Chancellor prepared an Educational Impact Statement ("EIS"), published and filed on December 22, 2011, on the proposed co-location of a new high school, New School 1 (02M533) ("New School 1"), with Washington Irving High School (02M460), Gramercy Arts High School (02M374), High School for Language and Diplomacy (02M399), International High School at Union Square (02M438), and The Academy for Software Engineering (02M546), in school building M460, beginning in 2012-2013; 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 New School 1 in M460, 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 included: a) a description of the purpose and substance of the proposed co-location of New School 1 in M460; 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 22, 2011, at least forty-five days in advance of the February 9, 2012 meeting of the Panel at which the proposed co-location of New School 1 in M460 came before the Panel for a vote; and

WHEREAS, the Department issued an amended EIS on January 20, 2012, which clarifies that the nurse's office is operated by a school-based health center, and that this proposal is not expected to impact the school-based health center; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Education Law § 2590-h(2-a)(d), the Chancellor has held a joint public hearing on the proposal with the District 2 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 website, an assessment of all public comments concerning the proposed co-location of New School 1 in M460; and

WHEREAS, the assessment of public comments included a summary and analysis of the issues raised and any significant suggested alternatives; a statement of the reasons why any significant alternatives were not incorporated into the proposed co-location as a result of the public

comments; and information regarding where the full text of any approved co-location of New School 1 in M460 may be obtained; and

WHEREAS, the Chancellor recommends that the Panel for Educational Policy approve the proposed co-location of New School 1 in M460; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Panel for Educational Policy to approve the proposed co-location of New School 1 in M460; 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 high school, New School 1 (02M533), with Washington Irving High School (02M460), Gramercy Arts High School (02M374), High School for Language and Diplomacy (02M399), International High School at Union Square (02M438), and The Academy for Software Engineering (02M546), in school building M460, beginning in 2012-2013.