

**Resolution Regarding Approval of the Proposed Opening of a New Middle School (05M514) and Co-location with Existing Schools I.S. 195 (05M195) and KIPP Infinity Charter School (84M336) in Building M195**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Education Law § 2590-h(2-a), the Chancellor prepared an educational impact statement, published and filed on January 31, 2011, on the proposed co-location of a new middle school (05M514) (“New School”) and co-location with existing schools I.S. 195 (05M195) (“I.S. 195”) and KIPP Infinity Charter School (84M336) (“KIPP Infinity”) in building M195 (“M195”); 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 with I.S. 195 and KIPP Infinity in M195; 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 proposed 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 January 31, 2011, at least forty-five days in advance of the March 23, 2011 meeting of the Panel at which the proposed co-location of New School with I.S. 195 and KIPP Infinity in M195 came before the Panel for a vote; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2011, the Department published an amended educational impact statement, which corrected typographical errors, but which did not modify or revise the proposal itself; 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 5 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 New School with I.S. 195 and KIPP Infinity in M195; 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; a description of any changes to the proposed co-location as a result of the public comments; and information regarding where the full text of any approved proposed co-location of New School with I.S. 195 and KIPP Infinity in M195 may be obtained; and

WHEREAS, the Chancellor recommends that the Panel for Educational Policy approve the proposed co-location of New School with I.S. 195 and KIPP Infinity in M195; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Panel for Educational Policy to approve the proposed co-location of New School with I.S. 195 and KIPP Infinity in M195; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Education Law § 2590-g, the Panel for Educational Policy hereby approves the proposed opening of a new middle school (05M514) and co-location with existing schools I.S. 195 (05M195) and KIPP Infinity Charter School (84M336) in building M195.