Amended Notice
June 5, 2013

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Chancellor

The Proposed Co-Location of Explore Envision Charter School Grades K-5 (84KTBD) with Existing Schools P.S. 190 Sheffield (19K190) and Essence School (19K311) in Building K190 Beginning in 2014-2015

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

On May 2, 2013 the New York City Department of Education ("DOE") issued an Educational Impact Statement ("EIS") and Building Utilization Plan ("BUP") describing a proposal to co-locate a new public charter school, Explore Envision Charter School (84KTBD, "Explore Envision"), which will serve students in kindergarten through fifth grade, in building K190 ("K190"), beginning in the 2014-2015 school year. K190 is located at 590 Sheffield Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, 11207, in Community School District 19 ("District 19"). K190 currently houses P.S. 190 Sheffield (19K190, "P.S. 190"), an existing zoned elementary school that serves kindergarten through fifth grade students and offers one section of full day pre-kindergarten, and Essence School (19K311, "Essence School"), an existing district middle school that serves sixth through eighth grade students. If this proposal is approved, Explore Envision will be co-located in K190 with P.S. 190 and Essence School. The DOE does not anticipate that this proposal will affect P.S. 190's pre-kindergarten program, which will continue to be offered, subject to funding and demand.

This amended notice provides a new location for the vote by the Panel for Educational Policy on this proposal. This proposal will be voted on at the June 19, 2013 the Panel for Educational Policy meeting now taking place at **Prospect Heights Campus, located at 883 Classon Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11225.**

Explore Envision's charter was authorized in June 2012 by the State University of New York Trustees ("SUNY") to serve students in kindergarten through fifth grade. Explore Envision will be managed by The Explore Schools Inc. ("Explore Schools"), a Charter Management Organization ("CMO"). Explore Schools is a growing CMO that seeks to provide students with academic skills and critical-thinking abilities necessary to graduate from high school and succeed in college. Explore Schools provides students in communities with access to another option for public education and provides support to schools in the network. Explore Schools currently manages four charter schools in Brooklyn.

If this proposal is approved, Explore Envision will open with kindergarten, first grade, and

second grade in 2014-2015, and will add one grade per year until it serves kindergarten through fifth grade students in 2017-2018. The school will admit students via the charter lottery application process, with preference given to District 19 residents.

As stated previously, P.S. 190 is an existing zoned district elementary school, serving kindergarten through fifth grade students and offering one section of a full-day pre-kindergarten program. Essence School is an existing district middle school and admits students through the District 19 Middle School Choice Process. Essence School first gives priority to students who reside in the K311 zone. For remaining seats, Essence School admits students using a screened admissions method.

According to the 2011-2012 Enrollment, Capacity, Utilization Report (the "Blue Book"), K190 has the capacity to serve 813 students. If this proposal is approved, K190 is projected to serve approximately 603-753 total combined students from Explore Envision, P.S. 190, and Essence School in 2017-2018, yielding an estimated building utilization rate of 74%-93%. Thus, K190 has sufficient space to accommodate the proposed co-location.

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

Educational Impact Statement and Building Utilization Plan and describing the proposal is available at: http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2012-2013/June2013Proposals.htm

Copies of the EIS and BUP are also available in the main offices of the schools in K190.

III. Submission of public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D19Proposals@schools.nyc.gov

Oral comments can be left at 212-374-0208

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.

The joint public hearing for this proposal was held on Monday, June 3, 2013, but additional comments and questions about this proposal can continue to be directed to D19Proposals@schools.nyc.gov or 212-374-0208.

VI. Date, time and place of the Panel for Educational Policy meeting at which the Panel will vote on the proposed item.

June 19, 2013 at 6:00pm

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