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The Honorable Melvin "Skip" Alston, Chairman Guilford County Borad of Commissioners 301 W. Market St. Greensboro, NC 27401

Re: Surplus property, Laughlin Education Center

Dear Chairman Alston:

As you will recall, on October 11, 2022, the Guilford County Board of Education ("the Board") declared the property known as Laughlin Education Center, located at 7911 Summerfield Road, Summerfield, North Carolina consisting of approximately 11.73 acres, unnecessary for public school purposes, and therefore surplus property, pursuant to N.C.G.S. §115C-518. They also accepted the offer to purchase the property for Two Million, Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,200,000.00) from the Town of Summerfield, contingent on the decision of the Guilford County Board of Commissioners ("the Commissioners"), as specified in the statute, as to whether they intend to purchase the Property for fair market value. The Commissioners have not yet acted on that offer as far as we know.

Consistent with the requirements of N.C.G.S. §115C-518, on October 14, 2025, the Board has reaffirmed its acceptance of the offer to purchase from the Town of Summerfield, which was renewed by the Town recently. We intend to use the proceeds from the sale of this property to offset the purchase of the Green Valley Central Office facility. We attach a copy of that Agreement for your reference. The Commissioners also have the right to purchase the property for fair market value pursuant to law.

Please let us know when the Commissioners have made a determination of whether they intend to purchase the property. If the Commissioners do not purchase the property, we will proceed with the process for disposing of public property outlined in the General Statutes. We appreciate your reconsidering this transaction.

Thanks for your consideration of this important issue.

Sincerely,

Deena A. Hayes

Chair, Guilford County Board of Education

Enclosures

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Guilford County Board of Education (hereinafter "the Board") owns certain real property located at 7911 Summerfield Road, Summerfield, N.C., currently known as Laughlin Education Center (hereinafter "the Real Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Real Property is no longer necessary or desirable for public school purposes, thus it constitutes surplus property, as defined by N.C.G.S. 115C-518(a), and the Board declared it surplus on October 11, 2022 and reaffirms that declaration; and

WHEREAS, the Real Property should be disposed of in accordance with law so as to maximize asset use for the Guilford County public schools, and the Board and the Guilford County Board of Commissioners (hereinafter "the Commissioners) have entered into an interlocal agreement to use the proceeds from the sale of Laughlin Education Center to offset the cost of purchasing the Green Valley Central Office facility; and

WHEREAS, the Real Property was originally offered to the Commissioners for purchase for fair market value in 2022, and the Board again offers it to the Commissioners in accordance with State law; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Summerfield (hereinafter "the Town") has renewed its previous offer to purchase the Real Property as is for the purchase price of Two Million, Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,200,000.00), which offer was accepted by the Board of Education in 2022, and the Board again formally accepts the offer and renews its intent to sell the property to the Town contingent on the Commissioners' decision not to purchase the property and other provisions required by law;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD that the aforesaid Real Property which is described with particularity in the attachment hereto, shall be, and it hereby is, declared to be surplus property and that this Real Property shall be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of North Carolina General Statutes, Chapter 160A, Article 12, after first offering this property to the Guilford County Board of Commissioners for purchase at its fair market value, and contingent on the response of the Commissioners, the Board of Education again accepts the offer of the Town of Summerfield to purchase the Real Property, as is, for the price of Two Million, Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,200,000.00) and hereby authorizes staff to dispose of the Real Property by the means permitted by law in the event that the County Commissioners opt not to purchase the property for fair market value.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED on the 14th day of October 2025.

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Deena A. Hayes, Chair / Guilford County Board of Education

Whitney Oakley, Ed.D. Secretary/Superintendent of Schools