## RESOLUTION OF THE EDGEWOOD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD REGARDING EMERGENCY CLOSURE DUE TO DANGEROUS WEATHER

WHEREAS, the Edgewood Independent School District ("District") is a public school district located in Bexar County, Texas;

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2022, February 3, 2022 and February 4, 2022, the National Weather Services issued a hazardous weather outlook (the "NWS Outlook") affecting several counties in central Texas, including Bexar County, based on the possibility of a hard freeze becoming increasingly widespread;

WHEREAS, the NWS Outlook states that ice accumulations for the affected counties, including Bexar County, could lead to an impact on travel, especially bridges and overpasses, and bitter cold, sleet, snow, or freezing rain;

WHEREAS, the District's Board of Trustees ("Board") finds that the expected weather as stated in the NWS Outlook would likely create a dangerous situation for the District's students, staff, and community traveling to school and work on January 20, 2022, February 3, 2022 and February 4, 2022, ;

WHEREAS, the Board has a substantial interest in protecting the health and safety of the District's students, staff, and community, and finds that an emergency need exists to close District schools on Thursday January 20, 2022, Thursday February 3, 2022 and Friday February 4, 2022 due to the threat of dangerous weather;

WHEREAS, the Board is authorized by Texas Education Code section 45.105 to expend funds of the District for purposes necessary in the conduct of the public schools as determined by the Board;

WHEREAS, per District Board Policy DEA (Local), the authorization to pay employees during an emergency closure shall be by resolution or other Board action and shall reflect the purpose served by the expenditure;

WHEREAS, the District has always been and will remain committed to providing the best possible educational opportunities for its students while at the same time keeping all District staff safe and being good stewards of its resources;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That all the above recitals are adopted as findings of fact and are incorporated into and made a part of this resolution for all purposes, and that the Board hereby determines that the public purposes served by this Resolution and any expenditure made pursuant to this Resolution include: (i) keeping the District's students, staff, and community as safe as possible during the dangerous weather forecasted on January 20, 2022, February 3, 2022 and February 4, 2022.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the public purposes described above fulfilled by efficiently and effectively making certain delegations, as described more fully herein, to the Superintendent of Schools to address this emergency situation in the best interest of the health, safety, and well-being of its students, staff, community, and the citizenship at-large.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in furtherance of these public purposes and this Resolution, the Board makes the following delegations to the Superintendent:

- 1. The authority to close the District's campuses and departments on an emergency basis January 20, 2022, February 3, 2022 and February 4, 2022, due to dangerous weather;
- 2. The authority to determine if the District's campuses and departments should remain closed due to inclement weather or safety conditions of the campus or department;
- 3. The authority to continue providing pay to all District employees during this period of emergency closure;
- 4. The authority to direct certain essential District employees to report to work during this period of emergency closure, including but not limited to those District employees who are essential to continuing certain District operations, at the sole discretion of the Superintendent; and
- 5. The authority to submit any necessary waivers to the Texas Education Agency to further the implementation and purposes of this Resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Superintendent of Schools is authorized by the Board to take such further actions necessary and appropriate to implement the intent of this Resolution without further Board action.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the authority granted to the Superintendent by the Board via this Resolution shall remain until rescinded by Board Action at a duly called Board meeting; or until all matters have been resolved.

**REVISED, PASSED, AND ADOPTED** this 22nd day of February 2022, by the Edgewood Independent School District Board of Trustees.

APPROVED:

Martha Castilla

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Board President

ATTEST:

Joseph Guerra

Board Secretary