

**RESOLUTION OF THE EDGEWOOD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
AUTHORIZING SUPERINTENDENT TO EXPEND PUBLIC FUNDS TO RESTORE,
SECURE, AND REINFORCE NETWORK SECURITY**

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

WHEREAS, on December 11, 2021, the District became aware of network issues on District servers;

WHEREAS, these network issues resulted in the temporary shutdown of District servers, causing a major operational disruption;

WHEREAS, the Board has a substantial interest in protecting the safety, security, and wellbeing of its employees, students, and their families, including the protection of personal data maintained by the District;

WHEREAS, in light of the recent increase in the number of school districts and governmental entities being affected by cybercrimes, the Board believes it is in the best interest of the District, as well as its employees, students, and their families, to take steps to restore, secure, and reinforce the District’s network security;

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, under Texas Education Code section 44.031 (h), if school equipment or a part of a school facility or personal property is destroyed or severely damaged or, as a result of an unforeseen catastrophe or emergency, undergoes major operational or structural failure, and the board of trustees determines that the delay posed by the methods provided for in sections (a) – (g) would prevent or substantially impair the conduct of classes or other essential school activities, then contracts for the replacement or repair of the equipment or the part of the school facility may be made by methods other than those required by section (a) – (g);

WHEREAS, the Board is authorized by Texas Education Code section 44.031 to delegate authority to the Superintendent to purchase services, supplies, equipment to repair, recover and restore essential operational functions;

WHEREAS, the District will remain committed to the successful resolution of any and all issues within the District’s network.

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)

securing sensitive data; (ii) restoring essential operational functions; and (iii) reinforcing District security systems.

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 situation in the best interest of the safety of the District's information technology systems and personal information stored thereon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in furtherance of these public purposes and this Resolution, the Board delegates to the Superintendent authority to purchase services, supplies, equipment to repair, recover and restore essential operational functions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is authorized to make such purchases as are or were deemed necessary without regard to District procurement policies to purchase supplies, equipment, or services as needed to ensure that district facilities are operational and safe for students and staff.

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, but in no event shall the authority granted to the Superintendent by this Resolution remain in effect past the 2021-22 School Year.

Motion was made by Luis Gomez, seconded by James Hernandez, that the resolution above and foregoing be adopted.

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The above resolution was voted on at a special meeting of the Board of Trustees held on the 6th day of January 2022.

BY: Stella Camacho
Stella Camacho
Board Vice President

ATTEST:
James Hernandez
James Hernandez
Board Member