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BEFORE THE FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
AND THE FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
FRESNO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

In the Matter Regarding Approval of a
Categorical Exemption from the California
Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the
Playground Improvements Project No.
C2026-18

Resolution No. 2025 - 42 (FCBE)
Resolution No. 2025 - 63 (FCSS)

WHEREAS, the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools (FCSS) is proposing to repair, restore, and rehabilitate playground spaces and structures at Beth Ramacher Educational Complex, Monte Vista School, and Sutherland Center that provide increased opportunities for physical activity and learning in an outdoor setting (Project); and

WHEREAS, CEQA Guidelines are set forth in Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3 of the California Code of Regulations (CEQA Guidelines); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15367, the FCSS is the Lead Agency for the Monte Vista School and Sutherland Center sites, and the Fresno County Board of Education (FCBE) is the Lead Agency for the Beth Ramacher Educational Complex site; and

WHEREAS, prior to construction of the Project, the Lead Agency must ensure the Project complies with the requirements of CEQA; and

WHEREAS, CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 sets forth a categorical exemption from CEQA for the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use; and

WHEREAS, CEQA Guidelines Section 15302 sets forth a categorical exemption from CEQA for the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced; and

WHEREAS, the Project does not involve any of the following and so is eligible for categorical exemptions as described above under CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2:

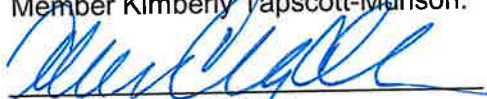
- (a) the cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, which over time are significant;
- (b) an activity where there is a reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances;
- (c) a project which may result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to, trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway;
- (d) a hazardous waste site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to section 65962.5 of the Government Code; and
- (e) a project which may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

WHEREAS, the Project satisfies the conditions specified in Sections 15301 and 15302 as described in the Notice of Exemption for the Playground Improvements Project No. C2026-18, attached hereto as Exhibit A.

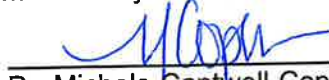
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Education and the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools hereby adopt the foregoing recitals as true and correct, determine that the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 and 15302, approve the Project, and authorize the Executive Director of Facilities & Operations to file a CEQA Notice of Exemption for the Project.

This Resolution is adopted by the Fresno County Board of Education at its meeting on November 20, 2025, by the following votes:

President Allen Clyde:	Yes	☒	No	☐	Abstain	☐	Absent	☐
Vice President Marcy Masumoto:	Yes	☒	No	☐	Abstain	☐	Absent	☐
Member Bryan Burton:	Yes	☒	No	☐	Abstain	☐	Absent	☐
Member Itzi Robles:	Yes	☒	No	☐	Abstain	☐	Absent	☐
Member Kimberly Tapscott-Munson:	Yes	☒	No	☐	Abstain	☐	Absent	☐


Allen Clyde, President

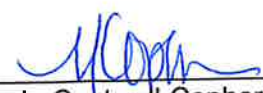
This Resolution is adopted by the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools as of the date immediately stated below as evident by her signature hereunder:


Dr. Michele Cantwell-Copher, Superintendent

Date: 11/20/25

CERTIFICATION

I am the Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the Fresno County Board of Education and hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is the full, true, and correct resolution duly passed and adopted by the Fresno County Board of Education on the date stated above.

By: 
Dr. Michele Cantwell-Copher
Fresno County Superintendent of Schools
Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the
Fresno County Board of Education

Date: 11/20/25