Office of the Superintendent of Schools MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS Rockville, Maryland

November 21, 2016

MEMORANDUM

To:

Members of the Board of Education

From:

Jack R. Smith, Superintendent of Schools

Subject:

Highland Elementary School Boundary Study

Members of the Highland Elementary School community of the Downcounty Consortium have requested consideration of a change to the boundaries for a small section of their neighborhood that currently articulates to Sligo Middle School. The request includes homes bound by Dalewood Drive, Goodhill Road, Valleywood Drive, and Veirs Mill Road. Members of the Highland Elementary School community have raised the concern that current middle school boundaries result in a small number of students from Highland Elementary School to articulate to Sligo Middle School while the majority of Highland Elementary School students articulate to Newport Mill Middle School.

WHEREAS, Members of the Highland Elementary School community have expressed concerns that a small number of Highland Elementary School students articulate to Sligo Middle School while the majority of the area students articulate to Newport Mill Middle School; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools solicit community input in a boundary study process consistent with Montgomery County Public Schools Regulation FAA-RA, *Long-range Educational Facilities Planning*, to obtain viewpoints of affected stakeholders regarding the possibility to reassign the area of Highland Elementary School that is currently assigned to Sligo Middle School to Newport Mill Middle School; and be it further

Resolved, That the specific school service area evaluated includes the neighborhood bounded by Dalewood Drive, Goodhill Road, Valleywood Drive, and Veirs Mill Road; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>. That the superintendent of schools provide a report on the results of the community involvement process to members of the Board of Education by February 2017.

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