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

November 16, 2015

MEMORANDUM

To:

Members of the Board of Education

From:

Larry A. Bowers, Interim Superintendent of Schools Source

Subject:

Boundary Study for Bethesda-Chevy Chase Middle School #2 and

Westland Middle School

Enrollment increases at Westland Middle School and the plan to reassign Grade 6 students from Chevy Chase and North Chevy Chase elementary schools to a middle school, have resulted in the need to construct a new middle school for the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Cluster. The new middle school, referred to as "Bethesda-Chevy Chase Middle School #2" currently is under construction at 3701 Saul Road in Kensington. The school is scheduled to open in August 2017. At this time, it is necessary to initiate the community involvement phase for setting boundaries for the new middle school and associated changes to the boundaries for Westland Middle School.

WHEREAS, Enrollment increases at Westland Middle School and the plan to reassign Grade 6 students from Chevy Chase and North Chevy Chase elementary schools to a middle school, have resulted in the need to construct a new middle school for the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Cluster; and

WHEREAS, The new Bethesda-Chevy Chase Middle School #2, located at 3701 Saul Road in Kensington, now is under construction and is scheduled to open in August 2017; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a Middle School Boundary Advisory Committee process be conducted to evaluate options for the service areas of Bethesda-Chevy Chase Middle School #2 and Westland Middle School; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Middle School Boundary Advisory Committee consists of representatives of each Bethesda-Chevy Chase Cluster elementary school, Westland Middle School, and the Bethesda-Chevy Chase cluster coordinators; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Middle School Boundary Advisory Committee submit a report that includes representative evaluations of a range of options to the interim superintendent of schools and members of the Board of Education by June 2016.

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