

RESOLUTION APPROVING
REVIEW AND COMMENT DOCUMENTS AND THE FINANCING PLAN FOR CONGDON PARK
AND MYERS-WILKINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota (the "District"), as follows:

WHEREAS, The Board approved on June 19, 2007, a Long-Range Facilities Plan (the "Facilities Plan"), which calls for renewal and remodeling of existing school facilities, additions to existing facilities and construction of new schools; and

WHEREAS, The District submitted the Facilities Plan to the Minnesota Department of Education (i) for approval of the Facilities Plan; (ii) for approval of the financing of the Facilities Plan; and (iii) for review and comment on the Facilities Plan. The Commissioner of Education approved the Facilities Plan and the financing and submitted its review and comment dated November 2007, although approval of the new Piedmont/Lincoln Elementary and the new West Middle School were delayed, but later approved pursuant to its review and comment dated July 2009; and

WHEREAS, The board approved on June 24, 2010, an amended Long-Range Facilities Plan. The Commissioner of Education approved the amendments to the Facilities Plan and the associated financing plan; and

WHEREAS, Construction contracts were not awarded for Congdon Park and Myers-Wilkins (Grant) within two years of the MDE approval according to Minnesota Statute §123B.71, subdivision 5, and therefore must be resubmitted to the Commissioner for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board adopts and approves the draft submittal document dated March 2, 2012 as presented to the School Board and attached hereto, and hereby authorizes District Administration to print it in final form and submit this document to the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Education for Review and Comment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board directs the District's administrative staff to work with Johnson Controls, Inc. to complete the following work:

- A. Commence with detailed designs for specific projects, prepare construction plans & specifications, and complete all necessary pre-construction work.
- B. Commence any other appropriate action to implement the remaining scope of work to complete the approved Long-range Facilities Plan (Red Option).