



40 Beecher Road – South Woodbridge, Connecticut 06525

Jonathan S. Budd, Ph.D. - Superintendent

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Woodpridge Roard of Education

FROM: Jonan S. Budd, Ph.D., Superintendent

DATE: September 15, 2021

RE: Approval of Nicole Silva Memorial at Beecher Road School

Board of Education Policy 3280 authorizes the Board of Education to approve contributions of gifts in excess of \$1,000 in value.

Beecher Road School Teachers' Assistant Nicole Silva passed away tragically in June 2021. A subsequent staff committee, chaired by Director of Special Services Cheryl Kiesel and including Nicole's mother Administrative Assistant Judy Silva, convened to brainstorm and reach consensus on an appropriate memorialization of Nicole at Beecher Road School, where she worked since 2011.

The committee's consensus is to install one or more sensory pathways at Beecher Road School, with an accompanying mosaic. Ms. Kiesel will present more details to the Board.

I recommend that the Board of Education support the following motion:

Move that we approve the contributions of gifts in memory of Teachers' Assistant Nicole Silva to support the installation of one or more sensory pathways at Beecher Road School, with an accompanying mosaic, as presented.