

Ector County Independent School District

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TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Dr. Stephanie Howard, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF BOARD RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE

DISTRICT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

DATE: November 19, 2019

Administration requests the Board approve the Resolution to Establish the District Memorial Scholarship Fund.

As a result of the tragedy that occurred in August in our community, the District is creating a Memorial Scholarship Fund (MSF) to honor and memorialize students, employees, and friends of ECISD. The District has created a separate fund working with our CFO. Donations will be accepted throughout the year, and the initial Memorial Scholarships will be awarded May 2020. One scholarship will be awarded to a senior from each of the five high schools: Odessa High School, New Tech Odessa, Odessa Collegiate Academy, and Odessa Technical ECHS.

Based on contributions made through January 2020, the MSF Committee will determine the amount for each scholarship in the initial year. The goal will be to sustain this scholarship over time, and the amount to be will be reviewed annually in February. Scholarship criteria for each high school will be developed by designated campus or district administration. These scholarships will not be given in the name of any one person; however, Odessa High School and Permian High School are writing their guidelines to align with and honor Leighla Hernandez and Joe Griffiths.

Administrative Recommendation:

Approval of Board Resolution to Establish The District Memorial Scholarship Fund.