LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING December 19, 2016

ITEM: <u>VII.J.</u>

TOPIC: Approval to Close Cass and Garfield Elementary Schools

RECOMMENDATION:

Move that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the closing of two elementary schools and authorize the superintendent to take all steps necessary to implement this reorganization effective with the 2017-2018 school year. Garfield Elementary School students will attend Randolph and Kennedy; Cass Elementary School general education students will attend Buchanan and Hoover. Cass Center students will attend Randolph and Buchanan Center students will attend Grant.

RATIONALE:

This recommendation will allow the school district to decrease annual operating costs, reappropriate bond and sinking fund allocations, and efficiently reorganize the utilization of our school facilities in response to the decline in student enrollment over the past five to ten years.

BUDGETARY INFORMATION:

The school district will realize general fund operations savings annually and will reallocate bond and sinking fund dollars to other LPS facilities.

RESOURCE PERSONNEL:

Andrea L. Oquist, Superintendent

EXHIBITS:

None