## Testimony to City Council on Proposed New PS Facility on 250-266 46<sup>th</sup> Street Property, Brooklyn

Good morning Chairperson Adams and Councilmembers,

My name is Tami Rachelson and I am Senior Manager for Project Operations in the New York City School Construction Authority's Real Estate Department. Also with me is Gayle Mandaro, Senior Director and Senior Attorney for Real Estate Services and Tamar Smith, a Community Relations Manager for the SCA.

The New York City School Construction Authority has undertaken the site selection process for a new, approximately 322-Seat Primary School facility on Block 754, Lots 27, 29, 30, 32 and 34, in the Borough of Brooklyn. The site contains a total of approximately 15,000 square feet of lot area (0.34 acres) and is located mid-block on 46<sup>th</sup> Street, between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenues. The site is comprised of 5 privately owned lots in the Sunset Park section of Brooklyn and is improved by a paved area on 4 lots and a 2-story commercial building on the remaining lot. The site is located within Brooklyn Community District No. 7 and Community School District No. 15. Under

the proposed project, the SCA would acquire the site and construct a new, approximately 322-seat primary school facility. The proposed new school would serve as the permanent home for the nearby PS 1 Annex, which is currently in a small leased facility. The Notice of Filing for the Site Plan was published in the New York Post and City Record on November 13, 2018, at which time Community Education Council No. 15, Brooklyn Community Board No. 7 and the City Planning Commission were also notified of the Site Plan. The CEC and Community Board were asked to hold public hearings on the proposed site plan. Brooklyn Community Board 7 and CEC 15 held a joint public hearing on November 14, 2018. Written comments were not received from the Community Board, CEC and the City Planning Commission.

The SCA has considered all comments received on the proposed Site Plan and affirms the Site Plan pursuant to Section 1731 of New York Public Authorities Law. In accordance with Section 1732 of the PAL, the SCA submitted the proposed Site Plan to the Mayor and City Council by letter dated April 12, 2019.

We look forward to your subcommittee's favorable consideration of the proposed Site Plan and are prepared to answer questions from the committee.

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