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Re: GEB Resolution 2019-09 – Relative to Requesting Support from the Governor and the 35th Guam Legislature to Provide Funding for a Central Middle School

Dear Governor Leon Guerrero, Speaker Barnes, Senator San Agustin and Senator Nelson:

Håfa Adai! I am transmitting the attached Guam Education Board Resolution 2019-019 as approved by the board in the GEB May regular meeting conducted on May 21, 2019.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 300-1547.

Senseramente,

JON J. P. FERNANDEZ

Attachment

cc: GEB Chair and Members
Principal, Chief Brodie Memorial Elementary School
Principal, Jose Rios Middle School
Tamuning – Tumon-Harmon Municipal Planning Council
Mayor, Tamuning – Tumon-Harmon
Mayor, Dededo

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GUAM EDUCATION BOARD
RESOLUTION NUMBER 2019-09

Introduced by: Guam Education Board Members

RELATIVE TO REQUESTING SUPPORT FROM THE GOVERNOR AND THE 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR A CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

WHEREAS, on April 24, 2018, the Guam Education Board ("GEB") received a resolution passed by the Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon Municipal Planning Council requesting the Guam Department of Education to implement a new central middle school at Chief Brodie Memorial Elementary School ("CBMES") and commence a feasibility study for the new central middle school, explore reprogramming of Jose Rios Middle School ("JRMS"), and recommend attendance area changes required to facilitate both changes; and

WHEREAS, on that same date, the GEB directed the Superintendent to immediately commence a feasibility study for a new central middle school in the Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon area, including an assessment of elementary school enrollment capacity, and to make recommendations to the GEB no later than September 30, 2018, for consideration and approval; and

WHEREAS, a feasibility study was completed and presented to Safe and Healthy Schools Committee Chairman James Lujan, Dededo Mayor Melissa Savares, and Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon Vice-Mayor Kenneth Santos on October 5, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the feasibility study demonstrates that a conversion of CBMES into a middle school is possible with the replacement of school canopies, electrical upgrades, new parking lot lighting, air conditioning upgrades, restroom renovations, demolition of the old pool building, renovation of the cafeteria and administrative offices, construction of a new cafeteria, new parking and site development, painting, and a new gym, at an estimated cost between $8 to $10 million and with a renovation timeframe of approximately 10 months; and

WHEREAS, GDOE has had its budget reduced by over $19 million over the past year and does not have the resources to be able to fund this important project without assistance from the Governor and Legislature;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Guam Education Board hereby accepts the feasibility study presented by the Superintendent and agrees that conversion of Chief Brodie Memorial Elementary School is feasible once the necessary renovations are addressed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the GEB, in partnership with the Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon Municipal Planning Council, requests the assistance of the Governor and the 35th Guam Legislature in identifying $10 million in additional funding for GDOE and appropriating such amount for the purposes of converting Chief Brodie Memorial Elementary School into a central middle school; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Honorable Speaker Tina Muna Barnes, *I Mina' Trentai Cinco Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*, the Honorable Joe S. San Agustin, Chairman of the Thirty-Fifth Guam Legislative Committee on Appropriations, the

Honorable Telena Nelson, Chairwoman of the Thirty-Fifth Guam Legislative Committee on Education, The Honorable Governor Lou Leon Guerrero, *I Magá håga Guåhan,* the principals of Chief Brodie Memorial Elementary School and Jose Rios Middle School, the Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon Municipal Planning Council, the Mayor of Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon, the Mayor of Dededo, and any further stakeholders.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MAY, 2019.

MARK B. MENDIOLA
Chairman, Guam Education Board

JON J.P. FERNANDEZ
Executive Secretary