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Fremont Union High School District Community Trustee Area Districting Committee 589 Fremont Ave Sunnyvale, CA 94087

VIA E-Mail: trusteeareas@fuhsd.org

## **RE: Trustee Area Districting**

Larry Klein Mayor Dear Fremont Union High School District Community Trustee Area Districting Committee:

Murali Srinivasan Vice Mayor

Russ Melton

Councilmember

Alysa Cisneros Councilmember

Omar Din Councilmember

Richard Mehlinger Councilmember

Linda Sell Councilmember On behalf of the residents of the City of Sunnyvale, we are mindful of the importance of the Fremont Union High School District's (FUHSD) transition to trustee areas to our city. We commend the Community Trustee Area Districting (CTAD) Committee's efforts to engage the community around this transition.

As a community of interest in the process, the City of Sunnyvale urges you to ensure that all geographic areas of the District are represented on the FUHSD Board. In particular, communities of interest such as North Sunnyvale that have not been historically represented on the Board through the at-large system should be better represented. Priority should be given to maps that maintain and represent communities of interest including the City of Sunnyvale overall and North Sunnyvale in particular.

We also ask that you respect the communities of interest identified by our residents who are providing input in the process. Thank you for engaging with the Sunnyvale neighborhood leaders and other groups. Our residents are part of tightknit neighborhood associations, committed to supporting high-quality education and thriving local public schools.

Current City policy supports advocacy for Sunnyvale's communities of interest during (re)districting processes of local public agencies (Council Policy 7.0 F.8), and advocacy for supporting balanced representation of the City of Sunnyvale on any governmental body that will have an impact on residents (Council Policy 7.0 C.1). At our January 30,



2024 City Council meeting, Council discussed the FUHSD districting process and directed staff to add language to Council policy specific to advocating that communities of interest be represented through this districting process.

On behalf of the Sunnyvale City Council and its residents, thank you for your consideration and service to the community. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me (mayor@sunnyvale.ca.gov) or Michelle Zahraie, Senior Management Analyst (mzahraie@sunnyvale.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

Larry Klein

Mayor

cc: City Council

Kent Steffens, City Manager

Sarah Johnson-Rios, Assistant City Manager

Fremont Union High School District Boardmembers

FUHSD Superintendent Graham Clark