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February 17, 2022

City Council President Ian Abreu and Honorable Members of the City Council 133 William Street New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Council President Abreu and Honorable Members of the City Council:

I am submitting for your approval an ORDER authorizing the Statement of Interest (SOI) Form to the Massachusetts School Building Authority for the following elementary school: Ellen R. Hathaway School, located at 256 Court Street, New Bedford.

Sincerely

Mayor

IN CITY COUNCIL, February 24, 2022

Referred to the Committee on Finance – Yeas 10, Nays 0.

Dennis W. Farias, City Clerk

a true copy attest:

City Clerk



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February 11, 2022

Mayor Jonathan Mitchell City of New Bedford 133 William Street New Bedford, MA 02740

Re:

Ellen R. Hathaway Elementary School Accelerated Repair Project

Dear Mayor Mitchell,

This Statement of Interest (SOI) is an Accelerated Repair Project (ARP) to improve conditions at the Ellen R. Hathaway Elementary School, located at 256 Court Street, New Bedford, MA 02740 for which the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) reimbursement will be 80%, minus non-reimbursable items. The Capital Improvement Program anticipates funding for the local share of the project. The SOI application itself incurs no financial obligation on the part of the City. However, if the MSBA Board votes to allow this project to proceed, then I would anticipate a request for an appropriation during the first half of FY2023 to fund the Feasibility Study associated with this project. This SOI scope of work will be for windows and doors. The ESSER funding will take care of code issues that would have been triggered by the 30% construction cost trigger.

The following actions need to occur for this SOI to be approved:

- 1. The School Committee must vote using specific language proscribed by the MSBA, to authorize the submission of this ARP SOI for this specific school.
- 2. The City Council must vote using specific language prescribed by the MSBA, to authorize the submission of this SOI's for this specific school.
- 3. The City Clerk must certify a copy of the vote of the City Council and submits a copy of the full text of the certified vote to the MSBA on or before the deadline for submission of the SOI (March 15, 2022).
- 4. The minutes of the meeting at which the School Committee votes to authorize the Superintendent to submit this SOI must reflect the vote with specific references to the school and be signed by the Chairperson of the School Committee. This set of minutes must be received by the MSBA on or before the deadline for submission of new SOIs.

Sincerely,

Thomas Anderson, Superintendent

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Enclosure

Required Vote Language

Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 7, 2022, prior to the Statement of Interest (SOI) submission closing date of, **Friday, March 25, 2022** the School Committee of the City of New Bedford, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) the SOI Form dated February 3, 2022 for the Ellen R. Hathaway School located at 256 Court Street, New Bedford, MA 02740, which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the MSBA in the future under priority 5, replacement, renovation or modernization of school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, and heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy-related costs in a school facility. This SOI is specifically for window and door replacements and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this SOI Form, the MSBA in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the MSBA or commits the City of New Bedford to filing an application for funding with the MSBA.