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DATE: October 2, 2024

TO: Dr. Rosalba Corrado Del Vecchio, President,
Trustee Gail Burns, Vice President
and Members of the Board of Education

FROM: Mr. Anibal Soler, Jr. 

RE: **Request for Emergency Declaration – YMHS Gym Floor**

I have approved the attached Request for an Emergency Declaration on September 27, 2024 for work to progress on the Yonkers Middle High School (YMHS) gymnasium floor.

Around September 6, 2024 it was reported that the YMHS gym floor had buckled. On September 7, 2024, Mr. Michael Pelliccio, Executive Director of School Facilities Management, met with the District's flooring company, RENU Contracting. As a result of that meeting, Mr. Pelliccio submitted an insurance claim.

The initial diagnosis suggests that moisture/humidity has compromised over 80% of the floor causing the buckling. Additionally, testing of the under laminate confirmed the presence of Asbestos Containing Material (ACM). The insurance adjustor's initial assessment is that the entire floor needs replacing. We are currently waiting on final paperwork from the insurance company. The District's insurance policy carries a \$100,000 deductible.

Due to time constraints, the scope of work and the length of time typically involved in the procurement of construction under General Municipal Law 103, an Emergency Declaration is being issued to expedite this work.

AS: nmr

cc: J. Liszewski, F. Hernandez, T. Collich, M. Pelliccio



Date: September 24, 2022
To: Mr. Anibal Soler
From: Michael Pelliccio
Re: Emergency Declaration

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On or around 6 Sept it was reported that the gym floor at YMHS had heaved in several areas, see photos attached, the next day 7 Sept we met with our flooring company and submitted an insurance claim. The initial diagnosis is that moisture/humidity caused the floor to heave and cup over 80% of the floor. We next had the under laminate tested, which came back positive for ACM. The insurance adjuster's initial assessment is that the entire floor should be abated and replaced. We are waiting for official paperwork from our insurance company. The Building Principal and Dr. Hernandez are up to speed and schedule adjustments have been made.

Please indicate your approval / disapproval of this Emergency Declaration by signing below:

APPROVED:  9/27/24
Mr. Anibal Soler, Superintendent of Schools

DENIED: _____
Mr. Anibal Soler, Superintendent of Schools

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