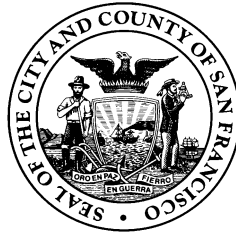


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January 13, 2021

Vincent Matthews, Ed.D.  
Superintendent  
San Francisco Unified School District  
555 Franklin Street  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 594-20

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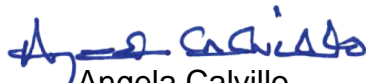
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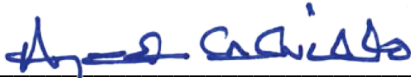
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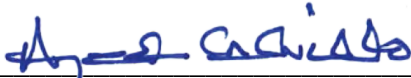
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