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Dear Ms Smith:

Thank you for reaching out regarding the nomination of George Washington High School, Roosevelt Middle School, and Hilltop High School for potential designation as local landmarks.

At this point, the SFUSD staff is not prepared to recommend support for the nominations to the San Francisco Board of Education due to uncertainty regarding cost impact and other imminent ramifications these designations could have on potential plans for modernization, structural upgrades and future uses of the buildings.

As you are aware, the Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Board of Education held an informational hearing and discussion on this topic on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. The members of that Committee raised a number of questions that I and other colleagues would like to explore in greater detail with you. We look forward to meeting and discussing all restrictions and financial implications the landmark status would impose on our future projects.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Superintendent, Policy and Operations