RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1

(Denying the Leman Classical School's Replication Application)

WHEREAS, Leman Classical School, also known as the Leman Academy of Excellence (hereinafter referred to as "Leman" or the "Applicant") is a charter school of Douglas County School District ("District") that is presently authorized to operate two PK-8 charter schools in the District pursuant to the Charter Schools Act, C.R.S. § 22-30.5-101 *et. seq.* (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, on or about April 1, 2025, Leman submitted a replication application (the "Replication Application") to the District requesting authorization from the District's Board of Education ("Board") to open a third charter school (the "School") in the District; and

WHEREAS, the District's Charter Application Review Team (the "CART") and District staff have reviewed the Replication Application; and

WHEREAS, District staff has recommended to the Board that the Board deny the Replication Application for the reasons set forth in their written recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has considered the Replication Application, District Policy, the Act, submissions from the public, information from CART, and the written recommendation from District staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board that denial of the Replication Application is in the best interests of the District, its students and parents, and the community, and that the Replication Application is hereby denied for the following reasons:

- 1. The Applicant did not provide evidence that an adequate number of parents and pupils support the formation of the School in a community referred to as Crystal Valley generally located in the east Castle Rock community, the intended target location for School.
 - a. The Applicant did not submit any verifiable letters of intent with its Application.
 - b. The Applicant did not submit any evidence of demand for the School with its Application.
 - c. The Applicant did not conduct any outreach in the intended area of the proposed charter school. No plan was submitted by Applicant to show its efforts to conduct outreach or to solicit intents to enroll in School in the near future.
 - d. Leman's Bayou Gulch Charter School has not met enrollment projections consistent with Leman's Application for the Bayou Gulch school. The District's demographic studies have shown that in order to fulfill enrollment projections at the Bayou Gulch campus, students from the east Castle Rock community would be needed.

- 2. The Applicant did not provide any evidence of support for School from community organizations, colleges and/or universities, nonprofits, and local groups.
- 3. The Applicant did not provide evidence that the plan for the School is economically sound.
 - a. As noted, the Applicant has not demonstrated that it can realize student enrollment numbers to fiscally sustain School.
 - b. Applicant's 5-year budget for School does not reflect any contingency funds.
- 4. Applicant did not submit any facilities plan for School.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School District would welcome an application in the future when there is adequate interest and a demonstration of demand for a third PK-8 Leman Classical School located within the District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent or designee is hereby directed to provide a copy of this Resolution to the Colorado Department of Education within fifteen (15) days of its adoption date.

PASSED AND ADOPTED	this day of May, 2025.
[SEAL]	DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
[SEAL]	By Christy Williams, President
Attest:	
ByBecky Myers, Secretary	_