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Attention: The Honorable Superintendent Austin Beutner

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RE: LAUSD Board Meeting Agenda Nov 13, 2018, Items 29 and 30

Dear Superintendent Beutner:

We, the Woodland Hills Homeowners Organization, (WHHO) are dismayed that LAUSD is considering the use of LAUSD public facilities and properties designated for or currently in use for educational purposes, to assist in the solution of caring for the homeless of Los Angeles.

LAUSD has the singular and most important responsibility to educate the youth of Los Angeles and prepare them to become contributing members of our society. No other government organization has this momentous responsibility for the future of our young people, our community, and our country. Yet, as noted by State, County, and local government agencies, LAUSD is currently significantly under funded to achieve its mission.

Still, LAUSD is considering expanding its umbrella to include use of LAUSD facilities and properties to assist in the solution of caring for the homeless of Los Angeles while there are numerous other organizations, public and private, that have the properly trained and skilled personnel, desire, and funding to do so without impacting the education of our youth.

The residents of the West San Fernando Valley, and in particular Woodland Hills, will not tolerate another flagrant abuse of public trust, giving away properties designated for schools. Encumbering properties and facilities under the guise of “short term leases” is insulting – another forced bussing and computer-tablet

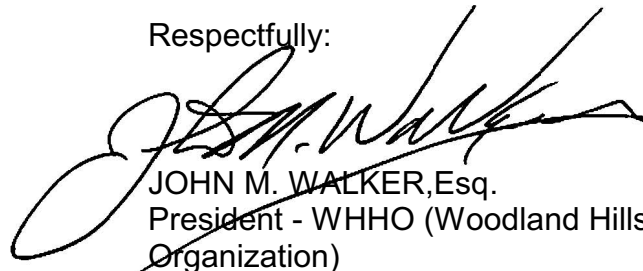
fiasco in the making being spearheaded as it appears by our two elected Board Members, Schmerelson and Melvoin; and already under way, as disclosed by Board Member Schmerelson at the recent meeting of the Woodland Hills, Warner Center Neighborhood Council WITHOUT any public discussion.

If the current LAUSD is so large that it is incapable of the focus and results desired for their educational mission, then the district should be broken into smaller segments that can do so, or be made available to qualified charter school organizations.

As presented in the WHHO outreach attempt to LAUSD Board Members Schmerelson and Melvoin earlier this year, the Woodland Hills Community needs to once again have a viable school district, particularly the rebuilding of our elementary schools which were deserted after the forced bussing programs in the 1970's failed and drove the residents to seek other educational resources for their children.

We expect our LAUSD Board Members to do the job they were elected to do - focus on educating our children.

Respectfully:



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