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PUBLIC NOTICE

TO: General Public

FROM: SUNY Charter Schools Institute (on behalf of the State University of New York Board of Trustees)

SUBJECT: Second Notice of Charter Revision(s) – SUNY Trustee Approval

DATE: April 20, 2016

This updated Notice is to inform you that the State University of New York Board of Trustees (the "SUNY Trustees"), in its capacity as a charter authorizer, approved the revision(s) to the charter(s) of the charter school(s) listed below.

A description of the proposed action(s) follows:

Expansion

- **Central Queens Academy Charter School**, located at 55-30 Junction Blvd., Elmhurst, NY 11694 and 88-24 Myrtle Ave., Glendale, NY 11385, in Community School District ("CSD") 24, currently serving approximately 380 students in grades 5-8, requests to add a high school program beginning in the 2016-17 school year with approximately 100 students in the 9th grade and growing by one grade each year, and requests to add an elementary program beginning in the 2016-17 school year with approximately 100 students in Kindergarten and growing by one grade each year. At full capacity the school would serve approximately 1305 students in grades K-12. The 2016-17 school year is the final year of the school's current charter term. If SUNY agrees to accept such grade expansions, SUNY would also amend the school's charter such that any expansion into the next charter term will be contingent upon the school: 1) providing a renewal application with the grade expansion; 2) qualifying for at least a short-term renewal pursuant to the SUNY Renewal Policies; and, 3) being in good standing at such time. In such cases, the revision(s) not immediately approved would be one(s) added to the renewal process only as described above. The SUNY Trustees: 1) received the revision application on or about December 1, 2015; and, 2) approved the addition of an elementary program

beginning in the 2016-17 school year with Kindergarten with one grade being added each year subject to renewal, (and the Institute approved a revision of the charter to permit the high school program beginning in the 2017-18 school year, subject to renewal).

Merger

- **Canarsie Ascend Charter School**, a charter school education corporation authorized by SUNY, and located at 9719 Flatlands Avenue, Brooklyn, NY in CSD 18, seeks to merge with the following education corporations:
 - **Brooklyn Ascend Charter School**, authorized by the New York City Department of Education (“NYCDOE”), and located at 205 Rockaway Parkway, Brooklyn, NY 11212 in CSD 18;
 - **Brownsville Ascend Charter School**, authorized by NYCDOE, and located at 1501 Pitkin Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11212 in CSD 23;
 - **Bushwick Ascend Charter School**, authorized by NYCDOE, and located at 751 Knickerbocker Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11221 in CSD 32; and,
 - **Central Brooklyn Ascend Charter School**, (formerly “Williamsburg Ascend Charter School”), authorized by SUNY, and located at 465 East 29th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11226 in CSD 23;

such that when the merger is approved, Canarise Ascend Charter School would be the successor education corporation under the name “**Ascend Charter Schools.**” The SUNY Trustees: 1) received the revision application on or about October 15, 2015; and, 2) approved it on February 25, 2016.

- **Manhattan Charter School II**, a charter school education corporation authorized by SUNY, and located at 220 Henry Street, New York, NY 10002 in CSD 1, seeks to merge with **Manhattan Charter School**, a charter school education corporation authorized by the NYCDOE, and located at 100 Attorney Street, New York, NY 10002 in CSD 1, such that when the merger was approved, Manhattan Charter School II would be the successor education corporation under the name “**Manhattan Charter Schools.**” Manhattan Charter School II would be renamed “**Manhattan Charter School 2.**” The SUNY Trustees: 1) received the revision application on or about October 30, 2015; and, 2) approved it on February 25, 2016.

Please take further Notice that the SUNY Trustees have sent or will send the proposed revision(s) to the New York State Board of Regents for approval or action consistent with the New York Charter Schools Act of 1998.

For further information on this notice, please contact Institute Executive Deputy Director and General Counsel Ralph Rossi at the phone number above or ralph.rossi@suny.edu.