**Mountain View
Whisman
School District**

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City Council
City of Mountain View
500 Castro Street
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Re: Shenandoah Property, Mountain View, California

Dear Honorable Council Members:

On behalf of the Trustees of the Mountain View Whisman School District (District), I wrote to the U.S. Army indicating our interest in 17 acres of Army-owned land in Mountain View commonly referred to as the "Shenandoah" property (APN 152-24-021). We proposed that selling or leasing the land to our District to build a new school would be a public benefit to the entire community. I have attached that letter here.

You are familiar with the development in our city that will bring an estimated 3,310 new students from several new neighborhoods being developed in the northern portion of town, not far from Moffett Field and Shenandoah; excluding the pending 1900-unit development at NASA Ames. Our District does not have existing capacity to absorb these new students. Our predicted growth exceeds current school facility capacity by 1,910 students. We also don't own land in the northern part of the city on which to build schools.

Google recently stated it plans to dedicate a 2.5-acre site for the construction of an elementary school in North Bayshore. Google's parcel will relieve some of the enrollment pressure, but not eliminate it. The Shenandoah site is centrally located and well suited for use as a public school site. We appreciate the City's hand in helping forge our partnership with Google, and ask for your help similarly with the U.S. Army and California Military Communities. We believe this is an essential public benefit for our families.

Sincerely,

Ayindé Rudolph, Ed.D.
Mountain View Whisman School District Superintendent

Cc: Dan Rich, City Manager
Cc: Martin Alkire, Principal Planner
Cc: Jannie Quinn, City Attorney

Enclosure