BEFORE THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE MUROC JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF KERN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the	Establishment
of Trustee Areas	

RESOLUTION NO. 5-22-05

A Resolution by the Governing Board to Specify Criteria to Guide the Establishment of Trustee Areas

RECITALS

- 1. California Education Code sections 5019(a) and (c)(l) and 5030 authorize the Kern County Committee on School District Organization ("County Committee"), upon application of a school district's governing board, to change the method of election in a school district under its jurisdiction; and
- 2. Members of the Board of Trustees of the Muroc Joint Unified School District ("District") are currently elected in a "from-trustee area" election system as defined in Education Code section 5030(c), established in accordance and in compliance with all applicable laws; and
- 3. The Board has previously indicated its intention to transition to "by-trustee area" elections: and
- 4. The Board held public hearings on May 18, 2022, and May 19, 2022, to receive comment from the public about the criteria that should guide the establishment of trustee areas, including identification of communities of interest; and
- 5. The United States Constitution requires trustee areas to be reasonably equal in population; and
- 6. Section 2 of the federal Voting Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. section 1973, prohibits the use of any voting qualification or prerequisite to voting, or standard, practice, or procedure, including establishing trustee areas in a manner which results in a denial or abridgement of the right of any citizen of the United States to vote due to race or color; and
- 7. The Board wishes to adopt criteria to guide the establishment of trustee areas consistent with legal requirements, including reasonably equal population and Section 2 of the federal Voting Rights Act, and which address other concerns and considerations important to the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

- A. The above recitals are true and correct.
- B. The Board of Trustees hereby adopts the criteria identified in Exhibit A to this Resolution as criteria to guide the establishment of trustee areas for the 2022 governing board elections in the District.
- C. The Superintendent is hereby authorized and directed to instruct the District's demographer to formulate one or more trustee area plan scenarios based on the criteria specified in Exhibit A for review by the public at public hearings and for consideration by the Board.
- D. The Superintendent shall consult with legal counsel to resolve all legal issues necessary to give effect to this Resolution.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was adopted upon motion by Trustee Amanda Cadenas, seconded by Trustee Teresa Davies, at a meeting held on May 19, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: 3

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 2

DATED: May 19, 2022

President, Board of Trustees

Muroc Joint Unified School District

CERTIFICATION

I, Tiffany Gordon, Clerk to the Board of Trustees of the Muroc Joint Unified School District, certify that the foregoing Resolution was regularly introduced, passed, and adopted by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held on May 19, 2022.

DATED: May 19, 2022

Clerk, Board of Trustees

Muroc Joint Unified School District

EXHIBIT A SPECIFICATION OF CRITERIA TO GUIDE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF TRUSTEE AREAS

[The final resolution will reflect the Board's selection and identification of additional criteria to guide the map-drawing process.]

1. Res	Population equality based on population figures as validated by the earch Unit of the Department of Finance	e Demo	graphic	
2.	Compliance with Section 2 of the federal Voting Rights Act			
3.	Contiguity			
4.	Communities of interest of the trustee areas			
5. Recognizable trustee area boundaries considering topography, geography, and man-made features				
6.	Compactness			
Other possible considerations:				
7.	Consideration of jurisdictional boundaries (e.g., school attendance areas, city boundaries)	X	Yes No	
8.	Consideration of the location of public facilities, such as schools, etc.	X	Yes	
9.	Consideration of voting deferral	X	Yes No	
10.	Avoiding head-to-head contests between incumbents	X	Yes No	
11.	Consideration of one or more multi-member trustee areas formulated in accordance with the above criteria in current Trustee Area(s)	X	Yes No	

Yes

12. Other board-approve criteria [add any additional criteria following the two public hearings]