A Resolution
of the
Board of Education
of
Granite School District

REGARDING THE LOCATION OF THE
MOUNTAIN VIEW CORRIDOR

WHEREAS, the Board of Education recognizes that population growth in the Salt Lake valley necessitates construction of a new transportation corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Utah Department of Transportation’s current preferred route would bring a six to eight lane freeway within 500 meters of five Granite School District schools, onto the campus, in fact, of two of those schools; and

WHEREAS, studies indicate that the development of lung capacity of children who live within 500 meters of a freeway is significantly impaired and that other serious health problems are linked to proximity to freeways; and

WHEREAS, close proximity of a freeway to school grounds raises additional safety and transportation concerns; and

WHEREAS, children spend a significant portion of each day at school; and

WHEREAS, other routes are possible which allow for the construction of the needed corridor but which are not in close proximity to schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, for the health and safety of children and staff, the Board of Education of Granite School District encourages the Utah Department of Transportation to develop an alternate plan to the 5800 West route for the Mountain View Corridor that does not bring the corridor into close proximity to schools.

Board President, Sarah Meier
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