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Letter of Support for Bright Star Schools' Valor Academy Elementary School

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Re: Case Number CPC-2022-5865-CU-SPR - 15526 Plummer Street

Dear Ms. Ahn,

After-School All-Stars, Los Angeles strongly supports Bright Star Schools' project to build a permanent elementary school campus for Valor Academy Elementary School at 15526 Plummer Street in North Hills.

Bright Star Schools serves nearly 1,500 students and their families in the North Hills community through their Valor Academy charter public schools. Additionally, they have been a strong partner of ours since 2011. Since then, we have been able to support and provide afterschool and expanded learning programs for close to 800 students in seven schools, including Valor Academy Elementary School.

Why we support Bright Star Schools and Valor Academy Elementary School:

- **Bright Star Schools provide a high-quality, free public education** for students of all backgrounds and abilities from transitional kindergarten through 12th grade. Additionally, they provide up to 6 years of higher education support for their alumni.
- **Bright Star Schools is a nonprofit organization that operates 9 charter public schools across Los Angeles, all authorized by the LAUSD.** Bright Star Schools' three schools serving North Hills include Valor Academy Elementary School, Valor Academy Middle School, and Valor Academy High School.
- **Bright Star Schools was selected by the owner of 15526 Plummer Street to purchase the property and build a campus for their existing elementary school that will benefit the community for generations to come.** A strong public education system is critical to the future of North Hills' children, their families, and our community. Bright Star Schools is an important community partner that is committed to the future of North Hills.
- **Bright Star Schools will, and has always planned to, preserve the historic home on the property at 15526 Plummer Street.** Bright Star Schools has been in full support of preserving the home and has plans to preserve the home's historical defining features.

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- **Bright Star's Valor Academy Elementary School students, families, teachers, and staff deserve a permanent home.** The children of North Hills and the surrounding communities are the future of our city. They deserve a beautiful, permanent school campus where they can learn and grow, and in the years to come, where their children and their grandchildren can too.

Thank you for considering Bright Star Schools' project to benefit our North Hills community.

Sincerely,



Donny Faaliliu

Senior Vice President of Leadership and Community Outreach
After-School All-Stars, Los Angeles