Kent School District Resolution No. 1648 - Proposed Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)

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WHEREAS, the Kent School Board has discussed a resolution regarding the proposed Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) seeking a location adjacent to Mattson Middle School and in a neighborhood surrounded by the City of Covington; and

WHEREAS, the proposed location is under the jurisdiction of unincorporated King County; and

WHEREAS, there are potential health impacts, safety impacts, fire impacts, and significant noise impacts that could drastically decrease our community's quality of life; and

WHEREAS, we understand the need to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels and move toward more environmentally sound energy sources; and

WHEREAS, the placement of this particular storage system is not appropriate to the surrounding community.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, we urge other leaders and decision makers to come to this same conclusion. The Kent School District No. 415 Board of Directors adopts Resolution No. 1648 concerning the Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).

ADOPTED this 28th day of June, 2023.

Board of Directors Kent School District No. 415

ATTEST: Mr. Israel Vela Secretary to the Board