



September 16, 2025

Mr. Eric Wasinger  
Senior Executive of Bonds, MOT  
Alum Rock School District  
2930 Gay Avenue  
San Jose, CA 95127

Re: Fire Damage to MACSA Youth Center, 600 Sinclair Drive, San Jose

Dear Mr. Wasinger,

At your request, I was present at the time YAES Structural Engineer Paul Murray visited the referenced site to assess the damage caused by the Fire on August 29, 2025. I have observed the following:

- The main building wood structure including exterior and interior walls, along with the roof assembly are no longer salvageable.
- The structural steel frames supporting the wood framing also shows deformation, warping and as such should be removed.
- The gymnasium building remains standing. However due to the excessive heat that was up against the South and West facing CMU walls of the still standing gymnasium, extensive testing will be required to salvage the structure. Assessment of the building's foundations, and areas of CMU that are charred on the exterior will need to be evaluated. The roof of the gymnasium was not accessible at the time of my visit. It is unclear if any damage from the fire has occurred in that area, but this will also need investigation/ assessment once access is available. The interior of the gymnasium has been occupied by homeless individuals. I noted that all electrical systems are not in working order or missing altogether. It is unclear, but assumed that Mechanical, Plumbing service is also no longer working/ exists in the gymnasium. I believe the investigation of the CMU structure will need to be extensive. Then repairs will need to be made, to what extent is unknown at this time. This will incur costs from Design Professionals, an LEA approved Testing Lab, work by multiple contractors, and finally DSA fees. As a DSA approved Project Inspector for 27 years, it is my opinion that demolition should occur to the entire site, including the gymnasium.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jerry M. Furman".

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