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CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE OF ALTUS SCHOOLS SAN DIEGO

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APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of on the 7th day of December, 2023.

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Len Hering

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Chairperson, Board of Directors
Altus Schools San Diego

ATTEST:

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Lynne N. Allen

Secretary to the Board of Directors
Altus Schools San Diego

Approved and/or authorized by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego.	
Meeting Date: 2/6/24	Minute Order No. 7
By: <i>[Signature]</i>	Date: 2/8/24
Deputy Clerk of the Board Supervisors	

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Preamble

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Disclosure Categories

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A designated employee in this category shall report all reportable investments, as defined in Government Code § 82034, in business entities located in, doing business in, planning to do business in, or having done business in the previous two (2) years in San Diego County in which the Corporation's school is located, which business entities operate or provide facilities, goods, supplies, equipment and/or machinery, vehicles, personnel or services of a type utilized the Corporation or its school.

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Category 4. Less-Inclusive Reportable Investments

A designated employee in this category shall disclose only investments as defined in Government Code § 82034 in any business entity, which within the last two (2) years has contracted with or in the future foreseeably may contract with ASSD to provide personnel, services, supplies, material, machinery or equipment:

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and

(c) the designated employee's position with the business entity.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ALTUS SCHOOLS SAN DIEGO ADOPTING A CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE**

WHEREAS, Altus Schools San Diego (“Corporation”), which operates California public charter schools and is doing business as Altus Schools Audeo and Altus Schools Charter School of San Diego, is required to adopt a Conflict of Interest Code pursuant to Government Code Section 87300; and

WHEREAS, the Fair Political Practices Commission (“FPPC”) has adopted a regulation (2 Cal. Code Regs. §18730) which is a model conflict of interest code and requires certain local agency officials, employees, and consultants to file FPPC Form 700, statement of economic interests; and

WHEREAS, Corporation desires to adopt a Conflict of Interest Code incorporating the FPPC Model Code by reference;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Corporation that:

1. A Conflict of Interest Code, in the form attached as Exhibit A, is adopted and promulgated.
2. Upon this final approval by the Board of Directors of the Corporation, the Superintendent School Services and Founder is hereby directed and authorized to submit a certified copy thereof to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors for approval.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 7th day of December 2023

AYES: Members: Barton, Hering, Morton, Schweinfurter

NOES:

ABSENT: Member: Crean

ABSTAIN:

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Len Hering

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EXHIBIT

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