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January 8, 2026

Mr. William Levi Dukes, Vice President
Taylor Backhoe Service, Inc. DBA TBS Contractors
1605 E. Gerard Ave.
Merced, CA 95341

RE: NOTICE OF CONDITIONAL INTENT TO AWARD CONTRACT

Dear Mr. Dukes,

On Thursday, January 8, 2026, Taylor Backhoe Service, Inc., dba TBS Contractors, submitted a bid for the Community Day School Modernization Upgrades for (1) Classroom Building. At the time of bid opening, this bid was the "Apparent Low Bidder," and since then, all necessary documents and verifications have been reviewed. As of today, Merced City School District will be moving forward with an intent to issue a Notice of Award at the Board of Education meeting on Tuesday, January 27, 2026.

At this time, an official Notice of Award will be issued, contracts may be signed, and then a Notice to Proceed will follow. We look forward to working with you on this process. If you would, please return 2 signed copies of the contract to our office within 10 days so we can get our necessary signature after it is approved.

Please understand that this notice is contingent upon approval from the Board of Education before it can be endorsed by the appropriate representative of Merced City School District. If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience. I can be reached at bbehn@mcsd.k12.ca.us or by phone at (209) 385-6343.

Respectfully,

Bryan Behn
Director of Facilities
Merced City School District

cc: Grant Dodson, Principal Architect – Darden Architects, Inc.
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