

**Resolution of the Rock Hill Schools Board of Trustees  
Regarding the Octapharma Plasma Project and Intergovernmental Collaboration**

**WHEREAS**, the Rock Hill Schools Board of Trustees believes that major projects with the potential to significantly impact the community should be developed through open communication, transparency, and collaboration among Rock Hill Schools, the City of Rock Hill, York County, and other appropriate stakeholders; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board recognizes and appreciates the efforts of the South Carolina Department of Commerce, York County Economic Development, the City of Rock Hill, and other community partners in securing the proposed Octapharma Plasma project, which represents meaningful opportunities for job creation, workforce development, economic investment, and the potential to welcome new families to the Rock Hill community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board extends its appreciation to the York County Council for approving the proposed Fee-in-Lieu-of-Tax (FILOT) agreement while giving thoughtful consideration to the long-term needs of Rock Hill Schools and the students the District serves; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board understands that the FILOT agreement will result in the School District forgoing a significant amount of tax revenue, while also recognizing the long-term economic, workforce, and educational benefits that investments of this magnitude may provide for students, families, and the broader community; and

**WHEREAS**, under South Carolina law, the authority to approve FILOT agreements rests with the City and County on behalf of all affected taxing entities, and the School District has no statutory vote in that process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board affirms that its primary responsibility is the education of children, while also recognizing that decisions affecting the District's financial resources directly impact its ability to fulfill that mission; and

**WHEREAS**, neither the Board of Trustees nor District leadership participated in the nearly two years of negotiations preceding this agreement, and the Board believes that the School District's perspective should be included in future discussions involving projects with significant implications for public education;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rock Hill Schools Board of Trustees expresses its appreciation to York County Council for its consideration of the School District throughout the approval process and for its commitment to balancing economic development with the long-term interests of public education.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rock Hill Schools Board of Trustees expresses its sincere appreciation to the South Carolina Department of Commerce, York County Economic Development, the City of Rock Hill, and all community partners whose leadership and collaboration helped bring the Octapharma Plasma project to Rock Hill.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board welcomes Octapharma to Rock Hill and looks forward to building a strong partnership that supports workforce development, student opportunities, and the continued prosperity of the community.

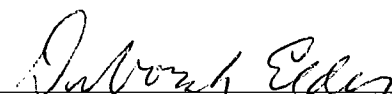
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board encourages continued collaboration and early engagement among Rock Hill Schools, the City of Rock Hill, York County, and economic development partners regarding future projects that may significantly affect the School District and the community it serves.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board respectfully requests that the School District be included as a stakeholder in future discussions regarding economic development initiatives that have a direct impact on public education.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees respectfully requests the City of Rock Hill to accept the allocations passed by York County Council at the third reading on July 8, 2026.

**Adopted this 13th day of July, 2026, by the Rock Hill Schools Board of Trustees.**

By:  Maria-Helena B. Miller, Chairman

ATTEST:  Dr. Deborah Elder, Secretary to the  
Board Superintendent, Rock Hill Schools