ISSAQUAH SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 1271

Declaration of Emergency – Issaquah Valley Elementary Switchgear Replacement

WHEREAS, Issaquah School District No. 411 (the "District") is a public school district duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, on July 29, 2026, a vehicle struck and displaced the District-owned main electrical switchgear serving Issaquah Valley Elementary; and

WHEREAS, on August 3, 2026, a qualified electrical contractor inspected the equipment and identified damage to the switchgear and underground feeders, compromised cable insulation, and a severed grounding system, and determined that the equipment remained energized and could not be safely operated in its damaged condition; and

WHEREAS, Facilities determined that the damaged condition presents an immediate safety risk to persons and District property and requires prompt remedial action, and that failure of the switchgear would result in loss of the school's only normal electrical service and disruption of school operations; and

WHEREAS, Puget Sound Energy (PSE) advised that replacement should be treated as an urgent matter and addressed as soon as possible to mitigate potential safety and reliability concerns, and Washington Schools Risk Management Pool (WSRMP) advised the District to proceed with the repairs as soon as possible; and

WHEREAS, the vehicle collision and resulting damage were unforeseen and beyond the District's control, and delay associated with competitive bidding would expose persons, District property, and school operations to continued risk;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Issaquah School District No. 411 that the conditions prescribed in RCW 28A.335.190(6) and RCW 39.04.280 are deemed met. The Board waives the applicable competitive bidding requirements for the work reasonably necessary to replace the damaged switchgear and associated underground feeders, authorizes District staff to take such actions as necessary to address the emergency, and ratifies actions previously taken for that purpose.

All other applicable public works and contracting requirements remain in effect.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Issaquah School District No. 411 this 13th day of August, 2026.

ISSAQUAH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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ATTEST:

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Secretary to the Board of Directors