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-- IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE --

October 1, 2024

## ORDERED:

WHEREAS: The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) has recognized the Tobin Montessori School as a 2024 School of Recognition; and

WHEREAS: The designation as a School of Recognition, which is a part of DESE's annual accountability reporting process, means that the Tobin Montessori School has demonstrated notable progress toward annual accountability targets, with an emphasis on the performance of all students in the school, and the school's lowest performing students group (where applicable); and

WHEREAS: The Tobin Montessori School achieved accreditation in 2015 from the American Montessori Society (AMS), making it the first preschool - 5 AMS-accredited public schools in the United States. The school was recently re-accredited by AMS in 2023. Teachers hold Massachusetts educator licenses as well as Montessori Certification; and

WHEREAS: The Tobin Montessori School, under the capable leadership of Principal Jamie Frost, is one of the small number of Massachusetts schools identified as 2024 DESE School of Recognition; and

WHEREAS: As Principal Frost states: "The overall success and growth of our students is achieved through teamwork, communication, and a shared vision rooted in data. We truly believe that all students can grow and thrive when students, staff, and caregivers collaborate. This prestigious honor is a true reflection of our collective work as a school community."; and

WHEREAS: The honor and achievement of the Tobin Montessori School as a 2024 DESE School of Distinction reflects the dedication of its teachers, staff, students, and caregivers who have all worked tirelessly to create a positive and high-achieving learning environment, which is a testament to the incredible education our district provides and the bright future we are building together; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the entire Cambridge School Committee extends its appreciation and congratulations to the entire staff, students, and community of the Tobin Montessori School on its achievement and recognition as a 2024 DESE School of Recognition; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Executive Secretary be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Tobin Montessori School on behalf of the entire Cambridge School Committee.

A true copy:

Attest:

Katherine Christo

Executive Secretary to the Cambridge School Committee

Late Order cc:
Vice Chair Hunter

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