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**Statement from Mayor Liccardo for August 7, 2018 10:00 am Press Conference  
Led by Board Member Andrés Quintero regarding Thursday, August 9, 2017 Regular  
Board Meeting Agenda**

“Once again, I have heard concerns from the Alum Rock community that Dr. Hilaria Bauer’s tenure as Superintendent remains in jeopardy. I’ve also learned that the Board is considering seeking legal counsel to reconsider the conflict of interest with the Del Terra contracts, and is once again discussing raising bond funds.

These items that appear in the August 9, 2018 Board Meeting Agenda have been discussed and voted down numerous times during the past year. Once again, I join my voice to the community chorus urging the Board to defer consideration of these items until all issues identified in the FCMAT and SCCOE audits have been corrected, the sale of bonds on the commercial market be approved by the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, and the State Audit requested by California Senator Jim Beall and Assembly Member Ash Kalra is completed.

I will be blunt: any member who votes to terminate the contract of Dr. Bauer has done so at the bidding of a contractor who remains under investigation for fraud that has cheated thousands of low-income children in Alum Rock from the educational resources they deserve.

I remain steadfast in my support of Dr. Bauer and her work as Superintendent. Her leadership has greatly benefitted the District’s children and their families, and has been vital to the many impactful collaborations between the City of San Jose and the Alum Rock Unified School District.”

Sam Liccardo  
Mayor, City of San José

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