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Alex Donahue | Executive Director

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Dear Interested Parties,

In June 2022, following the retirement of former Executive Director Robert Gorrell, the IAC announced the search for its new Executive Director. Over the last few months, members of the Executive Search Committee, which was chaired by Secretary of the Department of General Services and Commission Member Ellington Churchill, Jr., met to solicit and review applications. The Committee advertised the position on State and commercial websites, reviewed 17 candidates from the United States and one from South Africa, and invited six to participate in a multi-step interview process.

After extensive consideration of the candidates, the Committee unanimously recommended Alex Donahue, who has served as Acting Executive Director for the past seven months, for appointment as Executive Director. In its meeting on December 8, 2022, the Commission members voted unanimously to appoint Mr. Donahue. Alex holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from UC Santa Barbara and a Juris Doctor from Lewis & Clark Law School, and has worked as a teacher, principal, and division administrator for a large public school system in the Mid-Atlantic region. He then served for six years on staff for the National Council on School Facilities, where he became an expert in national best practices in the management of school-facilities portfolios. The Commission looks forward to Alex's continued leadership of the IAC staff as it carries out its mission to achieve a safe, healthy, and educationally sufficient learning environment for every child attending a public school in Maryland.

Regards,

Edward J. Kasemeyer

Chair, Interagency Commission on School Construction