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**Girard School District
Elk Valley Elementary School**

Attn: School Board Members, Jacob Hagmaier, Clinton Southworth

Re: Acknowledgement of Gate Change – Playground Fence Project

To Whom It May Concern,

Hi-T Fence Systems acknowledges the change from the originally accepted Rolling Gate Alternate to the Cantilever Gate Alternate for the Elk Valley Elementary School playground fence project.

The original proposal included the following pricing:

- **Base Bid: \$69,600.00**
- **Alternate – Rolling Gate: Add \$2,010.00**
- **Alternate – Cantilever Gate: Add \$2,170.00**

The change from the rolling gate to the cantilever gate results in a net increase of \$160.00.

While both gate styles will provide secure access to the playground, Hi-T Fence Systems recommends the cantilever gate for this application. Unlike a rolling gate, which operates on a wheel traveling along the ground, a cantilever gate is fully suspended and does not rely on ground contact for operation. This design provides more reliable performance in outdoor environments by eliminating issues associated with snow, ice, debris, mud, and uneven surfaces. As a result, cantilever gates typically require less maintenance and provide better long-term operation.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide this upgrade and will incorporate the cantilever gate into the project upon approval of the associated change order.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Steve Spotts".

Steve Spotts
Owner, Hi-T Fence Systems, Inc.