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To Whom It May Concern,

I am very pleased to write a letter of recommendation for Axia Architects. Over the last several years, Axia has been an integral partner in our district's facility improvements at various sites.

Axia's approach is inclusive of all stakeholders and develops a ground-up understanding of how the facility will be used. The input is used to incorporate into the facility design. In our latest project, a multipurpose room, we discussed the desire to expand the viewing/participation capacity beyond the interior walls. Axia created an outdoor amphitheater seating that looks into the MPR/stage, almost doubling capacity and functionality, with the entire side of the building that opens with large roll up doors (much like you see at a fire station). The students, staff and community love it!

The staff at Axia have all of the knowledge and expertise necessary to navigate through the complexity of the State Architect and all other project requirements. They were on target with estimates of project approval timelines, so we were able to backwards map our starting point.

Axia staff maintains a stellar level of professionalism with all who were involved with the projects. As always happens, there are unexpected challenges to major projects. Axia's leadership worked with all involved to find resolution that was compliant with standards and legal requirements.

Axia assisted the district to stay within budget by offering similar but a far less expensive option. The district was able to save approximately a \$500K by modifying the façade of the building, but still maintained the original look of the renderings.

We have been so pleased with all aspects of working with the Axia staff that we look forward to partnering with them again in the future. If you have any questions, I can be reached at (415) 451-4075.

Sincerely,

Midge Hoffman Chief Business Official Ross Valley School District