<u>BASIS FOR CLOSING</u> <u>A MEETING OF THE NSB COMMITTEE ON STRATEGY</u> <u>ON JULY 25, 2017</u>

On July 17, 2017, the Executive Committee of the National Science Board voted to close the teleconference meeting of the Committee on Strategy, scheduled for Tuesday, July 25, 2017 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon EDT. Board Members Drs. Córdova, Zuber, Souvaine, Jackson and Peterson participated in the e-mail polling of the Executive Committee. All members voted "yes" to close the teleconference. The agenda of the teleconference is: Committee Chair's opening remarks; Review and discussion of the FY 2019 budget submission to the Office of Management and Budget; Committee Chair's closing remarks.

The Board Members, senior NSF Office of the Director and Program staff, Executive Secretaries, NSBO Executive Officer, Committee Liaisons, Board Counsel, and senior NSBO staff are expected to attend the closed teleconference meeting. The attached certificate provides the justification for closing the meeting.

CERTIFICATE

It is my opinion that the teleconference meeting of the Committee on Strategy, scheduled for July 25, 2017 may properly be closed to the public under 5 U.S.C. § 552b (c) (3) and 42 U.S.C. § 1863 (k) regarding the disclosure of budget information for upcoming fiscal years.

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