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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) adopted final rules, including Rule 15Ba1-1 (the Rule), under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, pursuant to Section 975 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, that were effective January 13, 2014 and subsequently postponed by the SEC to a July 1, 2014 compliance date.

La Joya Independent School District (Issuer) is aware of the Rule and the "independent registered municipal advisor" exemption from the definition of "municipal advisor" for a person providing "advice" to a municipal entity or obligated person. Issuer hereby notifies FTN Financial Capital Markets (FTN Financial), a division of First Tennessee Bank, N.A., that it wishes them to provide advice and recommendations on the issuance of municipal securities and municipal financial products (as such terms are defined in the Rule) that are particularized to Issuer's specific needs. Issuer is represented by the firm of Barcelona Strategies LLC, which is registered as a municipal advisor for purposes of the Rule. Issuer has retained Barcelona Strategies LLC to, among other things, assist Issuer in evaluating any and all of such recommendations. Issuer will rely on Barcelona Strategies LLC for advice with respect to any such issues, including but not limited to, assessing the material incentives and conflicts of interest that FTN Financial may have relating thereto. The personnel of Barcelona Strategies LLC who will advise Issuer on such recommendations have represented to Issuer that they have not been associated with FTN Financial within the two years prior to the date of this certificate. Issuer acknowledges and understands that FIN Financial will rely on this certificate for purposes of qualifying for the Independent Registered Municipal Advisor exemption provided in the Rule. Absent written revocation, this certificate may be relied upon for one year from the date hereof.

Sincerely,



Authorized Representative Date

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