

SACRAMENTO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Resolution In Support of PROPOSITION 55:

The California Children's Education and Health Care Protection Act of 2016

Resolution No. 16-08

October 4, 2016

WHEREAS, the Sacramento County Board of Education is committed to making policy and financial decisions that enable the school district to provide quality educational programs and services to the school-age children of our community; and

WHEREAS, during the recent recession, the state cut more than \$56 billion from education, health care and other critical services; and public schools statewide experienced unprecedented funding reductions and apportionment deferrals; and

WHEREAS, California public schools rank 42nd out of the 50 states in per-pupil spending; California public schools are the most crowded in the nation; and California provides fewer guidance counselors and librarians per student than any other state in the nation; and

WHEREAS, many of California's schoolchildren come from low-income families that lack access to the health care services needed to keep those children in school and learning; and

WHEREAS, passage of Proposition 30 in 2012 helped increase state revenues, providing a significant boost to California's K-12 school spending and sending funds directly to school districts through the Education Protection Account; and

WHEREAS, the revenues from Proposition 30 will decline after 2016 and will disappear completely after 2018, the last year its provisions will be in effect; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 55, the California Children's Education and Health Care Protection Act of 2016 would extend the Proposition 30 temporary income tax rates for an additional 12 years, to continue funding the Education Protection Account and boost spending on health care for low income families; and

WHEREAS, unless Californians extend the Proposition 30 temporary tax increases, the state's schools most likely will receive relatively fewer dollars in the years ahead, raising the prospect that California's school spending will fall even further behind the nation; and

WHEREAS, the California School Boards Association, the California County Boards of Education, the California County Superintendents Educational Services Association, and the Association of California School Administrators support Proposition 55, the California Children's Education and Health Care Protection Act of 2016; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sacramento County Board of Education joins the California School Boards Association, the California County Boards

of Education, the California County Superintendents Educational Services Association, and the Association of California School Administrators, and governing boards around the state in supporting Proposition 55, the California Children’s Education and Health Care Protection Act of 2016 and in urging the Legislature to work with the public education community to identify stable, long-term, adequate funding solutions for public schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body, the Sacramento County Board of Education, supports the passage of Proposition 55, the California Children’s Education and Health Care Protection Act of 2016 because it provides needed revenue to public schools.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Sacramento County Board of Education at its regular board meeting on the 4th day of October 2016 by the following vote:

AYES	_____	_____
NOES	_____	_____
ABSENT	_____	_____
ABSTAIN	_____	_____

Jacquelyn Levy, Board President

David W. Gordon, Board Secretary