SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item 7.1

Meeting Date: December 19, 2019

Subject: Approve Resolution No. 3116: In Support of Sacramento Kids First Initiative

- ☐ Information Item Only
- ☐ Approval on Consent Agenda
- ☐ Conference (for discussion only)
- ☐ Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: _____)
- ☐ Conference/Action
- ☒ Action
- ☐ Public Hearing

Division: Board Office

Recommendation: Approve Resolution No. 3116: In Support of Sacramento Kids First Initiative.

Background/Rationale: The Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education supports efforts to improve outcomes for youth in the community, and the Sacramento Kids First Initiative is a Measure that will appear on the March 2020 ballot that will require the City of Sacramento to dedicate 2.5% of its annual unrestricted revenue to create a fund that will provide additional services for children and youth.

Financial Considerations: N/A

LCAP Goal(s): Family and Community Empowerment; Safe, Emotionally Healthy and Engaged Students

Documents Attached:
1. Resolution No. 3116

Estimated Time of Presentation: 5 minutes
Submitted by: Nathaniel Browning, Policy and Governance Manager
Approved by: Jorge A. Aguilar, Superintendent

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RESOLUTION NO. 3116

IN SUPPORT OF SACRAMENTO KIDS FIRST INITIATIVE

WHEREAS, The Sacramento City Unified School District (SCUSD) Board of Education believes that investing in children and youth brings a myriad of benefits to our community;

WHEREAS, SCUSD's Equity, Access and Social Justice Guiding Principle is to *ensure that all students have an equal opportunity to graduate with the greatest number of postsecondary choices from the widest array of options*;

WHEREAS, SCUSD actively seeks opportunities to partner with individuals and community organizations to promoteinitiatives that would help realize the Guiding Principle in order to ensure we have prepared and vibrant community;

WHEREAS, A Sacramento grassroots coalition has formed to create Measure G, also known as the Children's Fund Act of 2020, that is a ballot measure that will appear on the March 2020 ballot;

WHEREAS, Measure G strives to find longer-term solutions and programming geared toward children within the City of Sacramento;

WHEREAS, The Measure would not create a new tax and would require the City of Sacramento to dedicate 2.5% of its annual unrestricted revenue, approximately $10 to $12 million, to fund services for children and youth;

WHEREAS, Measure G would create The Sacramento Children's Fund, a stable funding source for children and youth services;

WHEREAS, No less than 90% of all monies in the Fund must be used for direct services to children and youth;

WHEREAS, The Measure would require the creation of a Citizens' Planning & Oversight Commission which would establish Three-Year Strategic Investment Plans, and will solicit and evaluate grant applications from qualified nonprofit organizations and public agencies through a public competitive bid process;

WHEREAS, The Fund is designed to achieve three goals:

1) Support youth to live safe, peaceful, and healthy lives free from involvement with the child welfare and juvenile justice systems,
2) Help children and youth succeed in school and graduate high school prepared for college, career, and community, and
3) Foster the healthy development of young children, ages 0 to 5 years old;

WHEREAS, Measure G need 50% plus one of voters to vote in support for the measure to pass

WHEREAS, The Board believes young people must be central actors in the creation, development, implementation, and evaluation of a Sacramento Children's Fund;

WHEREAS, The Board believes reducing life outcome disparities among children and youth based on race, economic, and social status must be the number one priority of a Sacramento Children's Fund; and

WHEREAS, The Board believes the operation of a Sacramento Children's Fund must be transparent and accountable to the general public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the SCUSD Board of Education endorses and supports efforts made by local community groups to promote the Sacramento Kids First Initiative and the civic engagement needed to help pass Measure G during the March 2020 election.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education on this 19th day of December, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: ____
NOES: ____
ABSTAIN: ____
ABSENT: ____

ATTESTED TO:

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Jessie Ryan	Jorge A. Aguilar
President of the Board of Education	Secretary of the Board of Education