A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IN SUPPORT OF ARTS AND EDUCATION CALIFORNIA BALLOT MEASURE RESOLUTION NO. 3267

WHEREAS, Access to arts and music education at school is a critical component of P-12 education;

WHEREAS, Studies demonstrate the importance of arts and music education in the development of children and their success in school and in life. Arts and music education improves cognitive development, reasoning, and language acquisition, it correlates with higher student achievement in reading and math, and it leads to increased school attendance;

WHEREAS, Participating in the arts is especially vital now to support students' mental wellbeing amidst the ongoing impact of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, Black and Hispanic students comprise 61 percent of P-12 enrollment in the state of California, 77 percent in low-income communities. An increase in opportunities for students of color to participate in the arts in school will expand the pipeline of students who are on the pathway to careers in media and technology; and

WHEREAS, Schools serving low-income communities would receive even more funding, helping Black and Latino children who are most likely to lack access to arts education. School funding for the arts will increase by more than \$800 million each year and arts programs in schools will grow by more than 50 percent.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sacramento City Unified School District supports the proposed California ballot measure, "The Arts and Music in Schools - Funding Guarantee and Accountability Act" that increases funding in the Arts and Music education in every P-12 school in the state of California.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Sacramento City Unified School District Governing Board on this 7 day of April 2022, by the following vote:

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

ATTESTED TO:

Christina Pritchett President of the Board of Education Jorge A. Aguilar Superintendent