

**SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

RESOLUTION NO. 2700

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF STATEWIDE EDUCATION FUNDING INITIATIVES

WHEREAS, two statewide education funding initiatives seek to qualify for the November 6, 2012 general election; and

WHEREAS, one initiative, entitled “The Schools and Local Public Safety Protection Act of 2012”, is supported by Governor Jerry Brown, the California Federation of Teachers (CFT), and the California Teachers Association (CTA); and

WHEREAS, the other initiative, originally entitled “Our Children, Our Future: Local Schools and Early Education Investment Act” and subsequently entitled “Our Children, Our Future: Local Schools and Early Education Investment and Bond Debt Reduction Act”, is supported by Molly Munger and the California State Parent Teacher Association (PTA); and

WHEREAS, both initiatives would benefit public schools by lessening, but not eliminating, the impacts of drastic budget cuts to school districts throughout the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Sacramento City Unified School District has been forced to make budget reductions in the amount of \$107 million over the past three school years; and

WHEREAS, the District’s current budget reductions for the 2012-13 school year will result in numerous personnel reductions, program reductions, and services essential to educating its children, including the increase of class sizes, the elimination of home to school transportation, and the elimination of sports, yearbook, drama, cheerleading, newspaper, speech, debate activities and libraries; and

WHEREAS, assuming both initiatives qualify for the November ballot, and based on the fact that either initiative, if passed by the electorate, would serve to mitigate, in part, the drastic budget cuts impacting the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education urges voters to support the initiative of their choice to mitigate the continuing budget freefall of California’s public education system to the detriment of the District’s students for whom the members of the Board of Education are elected to serve and for whom the District’s educators and support staff are dedicated to serve.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education on this 19th day of April, 2012, by the following vote:

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

Diana Rodriguez
President of the Board of Education

ATTESTED TO:

Jonathan P. Raymond
Secretary of the Board of Education