

NATOMAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT


Resolution No. 15-33

IN THE MATTER OF: **Support of the State School Facilities Bond Act of 2016**

The following RESOLUTION was duly passed by the Board of Trustees of the Natomas Unified School District, at a meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015, by the following roll call vote:

B. Teri Burns	<u>Aye</u>
Scott Dosick	<u>Aye</u>
Ryan Herche	<u>No</u>
Susan Heredia	<u>Aye</u>
Lisa Kaplan	<u>Aye</u>

Signed and approved by me after its passage:

  
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Scott Dosick, President

Attest:

  
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Lisa Kaplan, Clerk

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**WHEREAS**, the California Constitution finds public education is a State responsibility in Article IX Section 5; and

**WHEREAS**, Article 1 Section 28 states that public schools shall be safe, secure and peaceful; and

**WHEREAS**, the State has met its constitutional responsibilities since 1982 by providing consistent State bond resources through programs contained in Division 1, Part 10, Article 12 and Article 12.5 of the Education Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the State is out of school facility funds and cannot provide the State match for almost \$2 billion in projects filed under current law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Natomas Unified School District has \$363 million dollars in facility need which may be partially funded by State bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016 provides for renovation and upgrade of existing classrooms, construction of new classrooms to accommodate growth, and for career technical education facilities to provide job training to meet the trained workforce needs of California's employers; and

**WHEREAS**, the California unemployment rate is greater than the national unemployment rate; and

**WHEREAS**, 13,000 middle class jobs are created for each \$1 billion in school facility infrastructure investment; and

**WHEREAS**, these jobs will be created throughout California and will include almost all building trades; and

**WHEREAS**, the new Local Control Funding Formula and Local Control Accountability Plan are intended to improve educational achievement for all students but do not provide dedicated facilities funding; and

**WHEREAS**, quality 21st Century school facilities designed for student needs of today and tomorrow enhance academic achievement and further the State's academic goals; and

**WHEREAS**, the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016 will not raise State taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016 State matching funds will reduce the need for additional local property taxes for school facilities.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** that the Natomas Unified School District supports the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016.