

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
PETALUMA CITY (ELEMENTARY) SCHOOL DISTRICT AND
PETALUMA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF THE COUNTY OF SONOMA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROPOSITION 51 KINDERGARTENS THROUGH COMMUNITY
COLLEGE PUBLIC EDUCATION FACILITIES BOND ACT OF 2016**

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 \$2billion in projects filed under current law; and

WHEREAS, the Petaluma City (Elementary) School and Petaluma Joint Union High School Districts have \$9.2 million in facility need which may be partially funded by State bonds; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 51 – 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, Proposition 51 – 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, the Petaluma City (Elementary) School and Petaluma Joint Union High School Districts support Proposition 51 – the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016.

The foregoing resolution was introduced by Board Member JOHNSON who moved its adoption, seconded by Member SANDERSON and adopted on roll call by the following vote:

BADDELEY: AYE CHLEBOWSKI: AYE ELLIS: AYE JOHNSON: AYE SANDERSON: AYE

WHEREUPON, the President declared the above resolution adopted and

SO ORDERED this
13th day of September, 2016


Mike Baddeley, President
Board of Education

ATTEST:



Gary Callahan, Secretary