

## **SAN MATEO-FOSTER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 18/15-16 IN SUPPORT OF THE KINDERGARTEN 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 \$2 billion in projects filed under current law; and

**WHEREAS**, the San Mateo-Foster City School District has \$382,900,000 in new construction needs and \$30,000,000 in modernization needs 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 the Board of Trustees of the San Mateo-Foster City School District supports the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016.

**ADOPTED** by the Governing Board of the San Mateo-Foster City School District at the regular meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016 by the following vote:

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Chelsea Bonini

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Audrey Ng

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Nancy Kohn Hsieh

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**ATTEST:**

  
Secretary of Said Board

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