SAN LEANDRO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Resolution to Support

Schools & Local Public Safety Protection Act (Proposition 30) and Our Children Our Future: Local Schools and Early Education Investment Act (Proposition 38)

Resolution No: 12-53

WHEREAS, the San Leandro Unified School District Board of Education is committed to making policy and financial decisions that enable the school district to provide quality educational programs and services to the school-age children of our community; and

WHEREAS, since the onset of the state's fiscal crisis in 2008, public schools statewide have experienced unprecedented funding reductions and apportionment deferrals totaling more than $20 billion; and

WHEREAS, California public schools now rank 47th out of the 50 states in per-pupil spending. Moreover, more than 40,000 educators have been laid off from California public schools since 2008, impacting the quality of the educational programs delivered to students; and

WHEREAS, the San Leandro Unified School District has lost more than $12 million dollars in state revenue in the past five years, since 2008, or more than 17%, causing devastating cuts to student academic programs; and

WHEREAS, the school funding crisis is at historic proportions with 188 school districts certifying possible difficulty in meeting their financial obligations over the next two years; and

WHEREAS, the 2012-13 state budget is predicated on voter approval in November 2012 of the Schools & Local Public Safety Protection Act (Prop 30), without which schools will receive additional mid-year funding reductions that will result in additional cuts in services and programs to students; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 30 and Proposition 38 will direct billions of dollars to public schools, providing an important short-term funding solution that may allow for the restoration of some student programs and services; and

WHEREAS, the California School Boards Association, representing nearly 1,000 school districts governing boards and regional educational agencies, supports the passage of both Proposition 30 (Schools & Local Public Safety Protection Act) and Proposition 38 (Our Children Our Future: Local Schools and Early Education Investment Act); and

BE IT RESOLVED that the San Leandro Unified School District Board of Education joins CSBA and school districts around the state in supporting both funding measures and proudly joins the **Stand Up For Education** campaign to urge the Legislature to work with CSBA and other education leaders to identify long-term adequate funding solutions for public schools; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this body, the San Leandro Unified School District, supports the passage of both Proposition 30 and Proposition 38 because each provides needed revenue to public schools.

Adopted by the Governing Board of the San Leandro Unified School District on August 21, 2012, by the following vote of the Board:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Secretary/Clerk of the Board of Education
San Leandro Unified School District
Alameda County, State of California