

# Tulare City School District

## Resolution No. 2006/2007-17, In Support Of Proposition 1D, Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2006

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 1D is an investment in our schools, in our children and in California's future; and

**WHEREAS**, The best way to grow our economy and create good-paying jobs is to create world-class public schools – with adequate educational facilities – that give our students the skills they need to succeed in the workforce; and

**WHEREAS**, For every dollar California invests to get students in and through college, the state's economy receives a \$3 net return on that investment; and

**WHEREAS**, proposition 1D provides \$7 billion for kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade education and an additional \$3 billion for Higher Education; and

**WHEREAS**, California's community colleges and state universities (US and CSU) continue to grow exponentially – with community colleges providing instruction to over 2 million students every year and California's universities expected to grow to accommodate nearly 650,000 students – we need to provide funding to modernize and upgrade teaching and research facilities to remain competitive with other states; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 1D will help pay for writing classrooms and providing 21<sup>st</sup> Century technology, and builds vocational education facilities so that all students are given the skills they need to get a job and succeed in life; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 1D will relieve overcrowding, help reduce class size and give students a real opportunity to learn; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 60 percent of California's schools are 25 years of age or older and require major repairs; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 1D allocates funds to retrofit and upgrade our schools and colleges to ensure they can withstand the impact of natural disasters like earthquakes; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 1D includes funding directed at our kids' safety, including school security, playground safety, removal of asbestos and replacing leaky and dangerous roofs; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 1D provides strict accountability to ensure that the money is spent properly; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 1D will be subjected to independent audits, and misusing them is a crime, punishable by time in jail. This information will be made available to the public so taxpayers can ensure their money is spent properly and will NOT go to waste; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 1D is so important for California's future that both candidates for Governor, Phil Angelides and Arnold Schwarzenegger, as well as bipartisan majority of the Legislature, support the measure.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tulare City School District Board of Trustees that we support Proposition 1D on the November 7, 2006 ballot.

Adopted: September 26, 2006