## BEFORE THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE KINGS CANYON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF FRESNO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Kings Canyon Unified School District ("Board of Trustees") has determined that school facilities within the District need to be constructed, reconstructed and modernized; and

WHEREAS, the State should provide a significant portion of the funding for public education capital facility projects, especially during this time in which many of the State's school districts have overcrowded schools, growing student populations, and aging facilities; and

Whereas, the Board of Trustees desires to communicate to the State its position regarding the lack of available State bond funding and the lack of adequate developer fees for school districts to provide adequate facilities for growing student populations in many parts of the State; and

WHEREAS, the State has failed to fully meet its constitutional responsibilities for school facilities funding since 2012, since the last school bond was approved in 2006 and the funds from that bond were effectively depleted by 2012; and

WHEREAS, the State has exhausted its available school facility funds and cannot provide the State match for almost two billion dollars in projects filled under current law; and

WHEREAS, the State's lack of school facility funds and failure to place a new State school bond on the ballot has cost the District significantly; and

WHEREAS, continued State inaction will increase the uncollected funds for school facilities; and

WHEREAS, continued inaction by the State and State Allocation Board has placed an unfair and unreasonable burden on the District; and

WHEREAS, providing proper accommodations for the State's students and their communities will enhance academic achievement and further the State's academic goals for its students; and

WHEREAS, schools that operate with obsolete or worn out systems, components, and equipment require more attention to maintenance and repair, which results in unnecessary overspending; and

WHEREAS, a new State school bond and/or other adequate and ongoing sources of State school facility funding are needed for the State to meet its commitment to provide quality education for its students.

WHEREAS, the Kindergarten Through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016 provides \$9 billion to K-14 educational institutions for construction of new

classrooms to accommodate enrollment growth, repair of health and safety issues, equipping classrooms with essential technology, and renovation of facilities; 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 funds will reduce the need for additional local property taxes for school facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Kings Canyon Unified School District supports the Kindergarten Through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016.

The above resolution was adopted by the Board at its meeting of April 26, 2016.

Ayes:

(Ferreira, Rola, Mora, Remick)

Noes:

(Brooks)

Absent:

2 (Smith, Tyler)

Governing Board President
Kings Canyon Unified School District