

WOODLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 404
COWLITZ AND CLARK COUNTIES, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 23-10

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Woodland School District No. 404, Cowlitz and Clark Counties, Washington, expressing support for passage of the District's Proposition No. 1 (School Support Levy for Educational Programs and Operations), to be submitted to the District's voters at the February 13, 2024 election; and making related findings.

WHEREAS, Woodland School District No. 404, Cowlitz and Clark Counties, Washington (the "District"), is a first-class school district duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the Constitution and the laws of the State of Washington (the "State") now in effect; and

WHEREAS, calendar year 2023 was the last year of collection for the District's prior enrichment levy, which provided funding for the District's educational programs and operations not funded by the State; and

WHEREAS, with the expiration of the District's prior enrichment levy, funds available to the District will be insufficient to pay for necessary educational programs and operations and properly meet the educational and safety needs of the students attending District schools; and

WHEREAS, on November 16, 2023, the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board") adopted Resolution No. 23-08, authorizing the submission of a ballot proposition to the District's voters at the February 13, 2024, election, which, if approved by voters, would authorize the District to levy excess property taxes, replacing a levy that expired in 2023, to support educational programs and operations not funded by the State's statutory program of basic education, including advanced placement classes, music, art, drama, school safety,

technology, nursing, athletic programming, financial literacy, facilities maintenance, counseling and support staff (“Proposition #1); and

WHEREAS, RCW 42.17A.555 provides that members of an elected board, including a school district board, may take action at an open public meeting to express support for a ballot proposition as long as (1) any required notice of the meeting includes the title and number of the ballot proposition, and (2) members of the board and the public are afforded an approximately equal opportunity for the expression of an opposing view; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with RCW 42.17A.555, the Board desires to express its formal support for passage of Proposition #1;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF WOODLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 404, COWLITZ AND CLARK COUNTIES, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. Findings. As set forth in Resolution No. 23-08, the Board finds and reaffirms that the best interests of the District’s students and other residents require that the District impose an enrichment levy, replacing its expired enrichment levy, to provide funds necessary for educational programs and operations not funded by the State’s statutory program of basic education, including advanced placement classes, music, art, drama, school safety, technology, nursing, athletic programming, financial literacy, facilities maintenance, counseling and support staff.

The Board further finds that it has satisfied the procedural requirements of RCW 42.17A.555 in passing this resolution; specifically, (1) on December, 14, 2023, the Board held an open public meeting at which the Board discussed and voted upon this resolution; (2) the notice required for this meeting included the designation, “Proposition No. 1; Woodland School

District No. 404; School Support Levy for Educational Programs and Operations”; and (3) at the meeting, Board members and the public were afforded an equal opportunity to express an opposing view, and the Board heard all who wished to speak.

Section 2. Expression of Support. Based upon the findings set forth above, and pursuant to RCW 42.17A.555, the Board hereby expresses its support for passage of Proposition No. 1.

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Woodland School District No. 404, Cowlitz and Clark Counties, Washington, at a Special meeting thereof, held on the 14th day of December, 2023.

WOODLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 404,
COWLITZ AND CLARK COUNTIES,
WASHINGTON

President and Director

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ATTEST:

Secretary, Board of Directors