



March 27, 2023

Resolution to Support Public Education

WHEREAS, Article 7 of the Texas Constitution recognizes that a general diffusion of knowledge is essential to the preservation of the liberties and rights of the people; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Constitution establishes that it is the duty of the Legislature of the State to establish and make suitable provision for the support and maintenance of an efficient system of public free schools; and

WHEREAS, public education is the perfect representation of our democracy and whereby each student is accepted regardless of race, religion, gender, economic status or disability; and

WHEREAS, our public schools are the backbone and heart of our communities, providing all students with an effective and engaging opportunity for a free public education; and

WHEREAS, it is not prudent or advisable to divert public funds and subsidize a separate educational system to serve a select few in other institutions which are not held to the same accountability standards or governed by a publicly-elected board of citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is critical to provide public schools with the necessary funding to meet the needs of all students; and

WHEREAS, there have been multiple failed attempts in the past to dismantle Texas public education by imposing taxpayer-funded school voucher programs;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Denison Independent School District will continue to publicly oppose voucher programs by any name, including "taxpayer education savings accounts," that threaten to reduce public school funding and necessary support of our local public schools; and

RESOLVED, that the Denison ISD Board of Trustees will continue to use its influence and voice to educate our citizens about the potential pitfalls of vouchers; and

RESOLVED, that the Denison ISD Board of Trustees will continue to collaborate with community and parent organizations of like mind to support full funding and support of Texas public schools; and

RESOLVED, that the Denison ISD Board of Trustees will continue to educate our local community and all Texans regarding the value, significance, and foundational right of every Texas child to receive a free, effective, and locally-governed public education.

ADOPTED this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023.

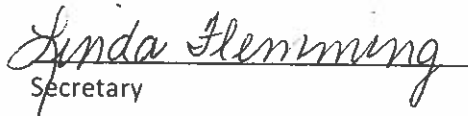
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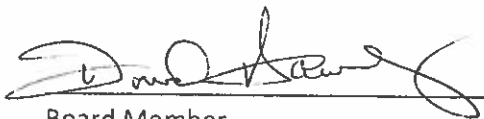


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