

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGARDING VOUCHERS,
EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNTS, TAXPAYER SAVING ACCOUNTS, AND
OTHER PRIVATE SCHOOL FUNDING MECHANISMS THAT ARE BEING
ATTACHED TO TEACHER PAY INCREASES IN TEXAS**

WHEREAS, The State of Texas entered the 88th Legislative session with a record \$33 Billion surplus in which to address needs for the state, state employees, and our public schools;

WHEREAS, All other major state employees saw their wages increase while Texas teachers and local school districts were left to adopt deficit budgets to provide for teachers;

WHEREAS, Governor Abbott developed a task force to address the rising loss of teachers in the profession whose recommendations have largely been ignored to date;

WHEREAS, The Texas Legislature continues to tie teacher raises in the state to the passing and issuance of an Education Savings Account to publicly fund private schools with no state mandated accountability;

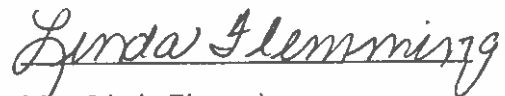
WHEREAS, Any discussion of education savings accounts, vouchers, taxpayer savings accounts, or any other name should be held as a separate issue from funding of the public schools system that educates and supports over 94% of the students and families the legislature represents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Denison Independent School District Board of Trustees calls on the Texas Legislature to reject any attempt to connect teacher pay and school funding to vouchers, education savings accounts, taxpayer savings accounts, and other private school funding mechanisms.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the August 15, 2023



Mr. Bob Rhoden
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