



RESOLUTION NO. 39928

1 BY REQUEST OF MAYOR WOODARDS, DEPUTY MAYOR IBSEN, AND
2 COUNCIL MEMBER USHKA

3 A RESOLUTION expressing support for the passage of Proposition No. 1,
4 submitted by Tacoma School District No. 10 at the February 13, 2018,
5 Special Election, for replacement of an expiring levy for educational
6 programs and operations; and urging Tacoma voters to vote "Approved"
7 on Proposition No. 1 on the February 13, 2018, Special Election ballot.

8 WHEREAS, the Tacoma School District No. 10, Pierce County, Washington
9 ("District") provides educational services to the children of the District, and

10 WHEREAS the Constitution of the State of Washington requires that the
11 state provide funds for basic education for such students, and

12 WHEREAS the state is able to provide only a portion of the amount required
13 to fund these services for the District, and

14 WHEREAS the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington require
15 that a proposition to levy excess taxes to meet funding needs of a School District
16 must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for the ratification or
17 rejection, and

18 WHEREAS, for the past four years, the District has had in effect a
19 maintenance and operations levy which is set to expire in 2018, and

20 WHEREAS, on October 26, 2017, the Board of Directors ("Board") adopted
21 Resolution No. 2031, authorizing an education programs, operations, and
22 maintenance levy, and

23 WHEREAS, if approved, Proposition 1 would continue to fund small
24 classes; teachers, instructional aides, librarians, and nurses; special education;
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advanced classes for high-achieving students; supplemental programs to bring students up to grade level; athletics, arts, music, and extracurricular programs; textbooks and classroom instructional materials; and summer school, and

WHEREAS Proposition 1 would also continue funding for maintenance of school buildings, playgrounds and playfields; alarm and sprinkler systems; campus security; and emergency preparedness, and

WHEREAS passage of this proposition would authorize the District to levy up to \$73 million on average annually, from 2019-2022, on all taxable property within the District, subject to applicable limits, and

WHEREAS, if approved, Proposition 1 would result in a tax rate lower than the current local school property tax rate which expires in 2018, and

WHEREAS the success of Tacoma's schools is dependent upon its citizens; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby expresses its support for the passage of Proposition No. 1 submitted by Tacoma School District No. 10 at the February 13, 2018, Special Election, for the purposes hereinabove enumerated.

Section 2. That the City Council urges Tacoma voters to vote "Approved" on Proposition No. 1 on the February 13, 2018, Special Election ballot, substantially in the form of the ballot title as follows:



SPECIAL ELECTION – PROPOSITION NO. 1
 SUBMITTED BY TACOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10
 REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS LEVY

The Board of Directors of Tacoma School District No. 10 adopted Resolution No. 2031 to fund educational programs and operations. If approved, Proposition No. 1 will replace an expiring levy and fund eligible educational programs, including classroom teachers, librarians, nurses, counselors, student safety, security and emergency preparedness, special education, preschool, textbooks, instructional materials, arts, music, and building maintenance; and levy the following excess taxes on all taxable property within the District:

<u>Collection Year</u>	<u>Estimated Rate/\$1,000 of Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2019	\$2.72	\$70,000,000
2020	\$2.66	\$72,000,000
2021	\$2.65	\$74,000,000
2022	\$2.65	\$76,000,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 2031. Should Proposition No. 1 be approved?

Yes _____
 No _____

Adopted _____

 Mayor

Attest:

 City Clerk

Approved as to form:

 City Attorney