RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ALEDO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Board of Trustees ("Board") of the Aledo Independent School District hereby consent and agree that the following resolutions be, and hereby are, adopted by the Board:

Whereas

- Public education is a cornerstone in every community and is worthy of financial and public support, and
- Teachers and educators in public schools are persistently dedicated to the success of all students, and
- Public school districts provide students from all backgrounds the opportunity to learn, grow and become successful citizens, and
- Public school districts are governed by duly elected school board members who live in the communities and are invested in its success, and
- Too frequently, critics of public education use partial truths, myths, political agendas, or actual misinformation when discussing educational issues,

Let it therefore be resolved that

- We advocate the restoration of an equitable and adequate school funding system. Cuts made in 2011 were funding formula cuts and unless restored or revised, with increased student enrollment, they essentially amount to continuing cuts each year, and
- We oppose vouchers or any legislation that allows diversion of funding from public schools to private or parochial schools, and
- We advocate the redesign of our accountability system. We all believe in accountability that includes a balanced approach to assessment, is understandable to our families and community, and prepares our students for a competitive global economy, and
- We oppose unfunded or underfunded legislative mandates, and
- We advocate a fair and accurate discussion of educational issues apart from misconceptions and political agendas, and
- We advocate maintaining the current teacher retirement system (TRS) as a defined benefit and worthy of continued support.

In witness whereof, the Board of Trustees has approved this Resolution as of this $\underline{14^{th}\ day\ of\ January,\ 2013}$

	By:
	Bobby J Rigues, Board President
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Attest:	
Johnny Campbell, Board Secretary	