



Parkrose School District

RESOLUTION OPPOSING MEASURE 60: STATEWIDE MERIT PAY

WHEREAS, Measure 60 would impose a statewide mandate requiring all school districts to institute a new teacher compensation program, short-circuiting the existing local collective bargaining process; and

WHEREAS, the measure lacks the necessary definitions and clarifications that would help local boards to thoroughly understand and effectively implement such a statewide mandate; and

WHEREAS, the measure could likely result in discouraging collaboration among teams of teachers in schools and instead foster competition for test scores; and

WHEREAS, the official state fiscal impact committee has estimated that Measure 60 would require additional spending of between \$30 million and \$72 million statewide in the first year and between \$30 million and \$60 million statewide in subsequent years without raising additional revenues to compensate local districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Parkrose Board of Directors opposes the passage of Ballot Measure 60 and its effort to implement an unfunded statewide mandate overhauling the existing local teacher compensation system; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parkrose Board of Directors urges voters to oppose Ballot Measure 60 and will work to educate local voters about the impact this measure will have on the local control of public schools.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2008