

**SOUTHEAST ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Resolution 2017-06**

**WHEREAS**, funding for public schools in Alaska is determined by the Alaska State Legislature;  
AND

**WHEREAS**, the mission of the Southeast Island School District (SISD) is that all Southeast Island School district stakeholders will work together to provide a safe and healthy environment that fosters the development of personal, social and academic skills necessary for students to excel in our rapidly changing world and to become service-minded, life-long learners; AND

**WHEREAS**, as a result of the fiscal crisis in the State of Alaska, the 2017 Legislature is considering significant cuts to services and departmental funding, including reductions to the Department of Education and Early Development funding; AND,

**WHEREAS**, SISD is anticipating a 2.5% decrease in foundation funding from the Department of Education and Early Development; AND,

**WHEREAS**, Additional decreases in foundation funding, as well as changes to funding from other State programs, are possible; AND,

**WHEREAS**, the SISD Board of Education will always prioritize the development of personal, social and academic skills necessary for students to excel in our rapidly changing world and to become service-minded, life-long learners, as indicated in the mission of the District; AND,

**WHEREAS**, the cost of employee salary and benefits for a single day of school at the Southeast Island School District is \$21,000; the current anticipated loss of foundation funding equates to 18.4 school days.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** The Southeast Island School Board of Education approves requesting permission from the Commissioner of Education and Early Development to reduce the number of school days by the amount needed to balance the Fiscal Year 2018 budget should there be a reduction in Department of Education and Early Development or other State funding from the amount allocated in Fiscal Year 2017.

**ADOPTED** March 29, 2017 at a duly convened meeting of the Southeast Island School District Board of Education at which a quorum was present and voting.

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Heidi Young  
SISD Board President

Attested: \_\_\_\_\_  
Shannon Silverthorn  
SISD Board Clerk