



**GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10**

DATE OF MEETING: July 23, 2024

TITLE: Resolution Approving “Pro-Statement” for November 5, 2024 Budget Override Proposition

BACKGROUND: When a Governing Board has called for a budget override election, the Governing Board is authorized by law to submit a statement of support for the ballot question. This is one of the very few things the District and its Governing Board can do to advocate on behalf of the ballot measure. A draft pro-statement has been prepared for the Board’s consideration. The draft may, of course, be modified as the Board determines, provided that it does not exceed 200 words in length – the statutory limit. The Board’s statement will be included in the District’s information ballot materials. (See, A.R.S. § 15-481).

RECOMMENDATION: The administration recommends approval of a pro-statement for submission to the County School Superintendent’s office, as determined by the Governing Board.

INITIATED BY:

Date: July 18, 2024

Todd A. Jaeger, J.D., Superintendent

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ARGUMENT OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, IN CONNECTION WITH THE DISTRICT'S SPECIAL MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION BUDGET OVERRIDE ELECTION; AND RATIFYING ALL ACTIONS TAKEN OR TO BE TAKEN TO FURTHER THIS RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, Amphitheater Unified School District No. 10 of Pima County, Arizona (the "*District*"), has ordered and called a special election to be held in and for the District on November 5, 2024 to submit to the voters the question of authorizing the District to continue to exceed its applicable revenue control limit by thirteen and a half percent (13.5%) for a period of seven (7) years (the "*Election*"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes § 15-481.B.9, the Governing Board of the District (the "*Board*") shall prepare a written "for" argument in support of the proposed increase in the budget to be contained within the informational pamphlet; and

WHEREAS, by this Resolution, the Board shall approve and cause to be signed by the Board the written argument "for" the Election; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. **Approval.** The Board hereby approves the argument "for" the Election attached hereto as *Exhibit A* and causes the same to be signed by the Board and submitted to the Pima County School Superintendent for inclusion in the informational pamphlet.

Section 2. **Ratification of Actions.** All actions of the officers and agents of the District which conform to the purposes and intent of this resolution are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved. The proper officers and agents of the District are hereby authorized and directed to do all such acts and things and to execute and deliver all such documents on behalf of the District as may be necessary to carry out the terms and intent of this resolution.

[Signature on following page]

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Governing Board of Amphitheater Unified School District No. 10 of Pima County, Arizona, on July 23, 2024.

President, Governing Board

Exhibit A – Board’s “For” Argument

[Signature page to Resolution]

**STATEMENT FROM THE GOVERNING BOARD
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #10**

We ask you to vote yes to renew this already existing budget override because it does not create new taxes, and it is essential to maintain vital programs for children.

Most of this override has been in place for nearly twenty years. It funds enhanced middle and high school courses like Engineering. It provides intervention programs for struggling students who need them. It ensures high quality Art, Music and P.E. classes for all elementary students. It reduces class sizes – particularly in elementary schools, and it pays for the cost of all-day kindergarten, which state budget cuts took away.

We never forget the trust you place in us to do our very best for students with the resources the District receives. We thank the Amphitheater voters, who consistently support the education of their community’s children. You make these programs possible and ensure our district’s students have the same opportunities as those in other school districts with budget overrides. In return, we will continue to keep our administrative costs among the lowest in the state and put more dollars into the classroom.

Please continue to help us provide an excellent educational experience by voting YES.

(193 words)

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board this 23rd day of July, 2024.

Scott K. Baker, Ph.D.
President

(District Seal)

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Vice-President

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