



**A Resolution of the Santa Rosa City Schools Board of Education
IN SUPPORT OF CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 3: PRESERVING FUNDING FOR PUBLIC
EDUCATION AND HEALTH CARE**

WHEREAS, the Santa Rosa City Schools Board of Education is committed to ensuring that every student has access to high-quality instruction, enrichment opportunities, safe and welcoming schools, and the supports necessary for educational success; and

WHEREAS, sustained investment in public education supports the District's priorities of accelerating learning through academics and enrichment, strengthening engagement, and improving systems in support of student learning; and

WHEREAS, adequate, ongoing funding is essential to maintaining educational programs, supporting employees, addressing student needs, and planning responsibly for the long-term fiscal sustainability of the District; and

WHEREAS, California voters approved Proposition 30 in 2012 and Proposition 55 in 2016, establishing and extending higher personal income tax rates on high-income earners to support public services, including public education; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 3, appearing on the November 3, 2026 statewide ballot, would make these existing higher income tax rates permanent rather than allowing them to expire in 2031; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Analyst's Office estimates that Proposition 3 would preserve between \$5 billion and \$15 billion in annual state income tax revenue following the scheduled expiration of the existing rates, supporting schools, community colleges, health care, budget reserves, and other public services; and

WHEREAS, preserving this revenue source would support California's continuing investment in public education and help districts plan for student services and future educational needs; and

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa City Schools has undertaken significant fiscal stabilization and systems improvement work, and sustained state investment is an essential partner to responsible local stewardship of public resources; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes that educational funding must be accompanied by transparency, accountability, and thoughtful allocation of resources to advance equitable access and improved student outcomes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Rosa City Schools Board of Education supports California Proposition 3 on the November 3, 2026 statewide ballot; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board affirms the importance of preserving ongoing state revenue to support public education, student well-being, and the long-term sustainability of essential services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board remains committed to aligning District resources with student needs and Board priorities through transparent budgeting, ongoing evaluation, and responsible fiscal stewardship.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Santa Rosa City Schools Board of Education on this ____ day of _____, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Sarah Jenkins, Clerk of the Board