

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE X FOR MORENO VALLEY SCHOOLS

RESOLUTION NO. 32 – 24/25

WHEREAS, Riverside Community College District is committed to the safety and success of local students in Moreno Valley; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 2, the Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities, Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024, provides \$10 billion for education financing for constructing new classrooms to accommodate growth and provide job training, repairing health and safety issues, renovating facilities, and equipping learning spaces with essential technology; and

WHEREAS, many of our neighborhood schools were built 30-60 years ago and require priority repairs and updates to support high-quality instruction in science, technology, engineering, arts, and math; and

WHEREAS, student safety and security systems need to be updated and replaced, including fencing, cameras, fire alarms, and sprinklers; and

WHEREAS, if we want our students to succeed in college and their future careers, they must be skilled in the use of today's technology and have advanced courses in science, math, and engineering; and

WHEREAS, since affordable higher education focused on high-demand, good-paying careers is one of the best ways for people to lift themselves up out of poverty, this proposed measure will help provide cleaner, safer, healthier and more up-to-date community colleges, retain and attract quality educators and provide 21st century learning so the people of our community have access to the tools they need to be successful in life; and

WHEREAS, 100% of all money raised by Measure X stays here for our schools, it cannot be taken by the state; and will help our schools qualify for \$100 million in state matching funds that would otherwise go to other communities; and

WHEREAS, Riverside Community College District supports these important improvements for our local schools:

- 1. Repairing deteriorating roofs, plumbing, and electrical systems
- 2. Updating classrooms and educational technology
- 3. Improving science labs and equipment to prepare students for college and in-demand careers

- 4. Upgrading older schools and replace portables to meet today's health and safety codes
- 5. Ensuring proper access for students and community members with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Measure X is transparent and accountable, requiring public disclosure of spending and independent financial audits; and

WHEREAS, 100% of Measure X funds will remain here under local control and cannot be diverted by the State; and

WHEREAS, Measure X will not increase tax rates.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Riverside Community College District supports Measure X on the November 5, 2024 ballot.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of November 2024, at the regular meeting of the Riverside Community College District Board of Trustees.

Jose Alcala, President, Board of Trustees Riverside Community College District