

**RESOLUTION NO. R09-12**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PALOS VERDES ESTATES, CALIFORNIA, TO ENDORSE MEASURE V – THE  
PARCEL TAX MEASURE FOR PALOS VERDES PENINSULA UNIFIED  
SCHOOL DISTRICT, ELECTION DATE: JUNE 23, 2009**

WHEREAS, Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School District schools are among the very best in the State, with District student test scores consistently in the top 10% statewide and 98% of students going on to college; and

WHEREAS, an adequately funded and well-developed public education system provides numerous benefits and advantages to all of the residents of the community; and

WHEREAS, schools throughout California are facing steep cuts as the result of an estimated \$42 billion State budget shortfall this fiscal year, with additional and substantial shortfalls expected in upcoming years; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the local impact of current State budget shortfalls will result in an ongoing reduction of \$6 million in funding for District schools; and

WHEREAS, the District ranks 38<sup>th</sup> out of the 47 public school districts within Los Angeles County with respect to the amount of State funding per student; and

WHEREAS, the District has made significant efforts to minimize the impact of previous State funding cuts to the District, including such measures as cutting administrator and non-teaching staff and has maximized revenues from parent/community donations, grants and other funding sources; and

WHEREAS, Measure V is essential for maintaining the quality of the District's outstanding schools and local educational programs; and

WHEREAS, without the additional revenue from Measure V, the District will be required to make substantial cuts to educational and other programs, and to reduce classroom staffing, all of which will negatively impact the current high quality of District educational programs and schools; and

WHEREAS, Measure V is needed to protect the high quality of education in Palos Verdes and prevent deep cuts to educational programs, including math, science, technology, PE, music and art; retain qualified teachers and school employees; keep school facilities well-maintained; and continue programs that promote student achievement and success in college and careers; and

WHEREAS, every penny raised by Measure V would stay in our community to benefit our students and no money can be taken by the State; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds from Measure V will be monitored by an independent citizens' oversight committee to ensure funds are spent properly; and

WHEREAS, Measure V provides an optional exemption for seniors to ensure the cost is not a burden to those on a fixed income; and

WHEREAS, quality local schools protect property values; and

WHEREAS, passage of Measure V will provide stable local funding for Palos Verdes Peninsula schools that will make our local schools less dependent on unpredictable state funding; and


WHEREAS, passage of Measure V will strengthen local control of our schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates as follows:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates lends its official endorsement and support to Measure V for the Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School District.

SECTION 2. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 28th day of APRIL, 2009.

  
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Ellen Perkins, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Judy Smith, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Joseph W. Pannone, City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ) SS:  
CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES )

I, Vickie Kroneberger, Deputy City Clerk for the City of Palos Verdes Estates, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution **R09-12** was duly and regularly approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates at its adjourned regular meeting of the City Council on the 28th day of April, 2009, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Perkins, Goodhart, and Bird

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Rea

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Humphrey

  
Vickie Kroneberger, Deputy City Clerk