Resolution in Support of Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF)

Whereas California's current school-funding system is outdated, irrational, and inequitable.

Whereas our students can’t wait any longer.

Whereas California’s children have been waiting for years — decades in some instances — while the adults have conducted research, made policy recommendations, offered specific legislative language, and held numerous public hearings to address the flaws in our school funding system.

Whereas over 70 percent of the public in favor of the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) approach.

Whereas we cannot delay fixing the way the state funds schools and LCFF is the right thing to do for students in California.

Whereas California is about to make significant, necessary investments in education and it must be done in a rational, transparent, flexible, and equitable way.

Be it resolved that the San Mateo County Central Labor Council supports school funding reform that ensures:

- No school district loses funding as we transition to the new formula;
- There is equal access to base funding for students across the state, something we have long talked about, but have yet to achieve;
- There are meaningful additional investments in the students with the highest needs;
- Investments in high-need students are made in a more rational way and the students and schools who generate the additional dollars, benefit from those dollars;
- Districts have the flexibility to determine how to improve educational outcomes among all groups of students in response to being held accountable for raising student achievement across the board; and
- Districts have stability and time to plan for future investments during the multi-year transition.

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