

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF COLORADO SUPERINTENDENTS’
STATEMENT REGARDING ADVOCACY FOR ADEQUATE SCHOOL FUNDING**

WHEREAS, since 2010, funding for Colorado’s public schools has fallen by over \$5.12 billion due to implementation of the “negative factor”; and

WHEREAS, due to the significant reduction in funding via the negative factor, the Board of Education of Adams County School District 50 has had to make significant cuts to its budget, which has resulted in increased class sizes and increased fees for parents of children in the district’s schools, to name a few consequences; and

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2016, Superintendents representing 166 of Colorado’s 178 school districts called on the General Assembly to: (1) uphold the intent of the General Assembly, as detailed in SB 15-267, and not reduce state appropriations for the 2015-16 School Finance Act; (2) support a supplemental appropriation for 2015-16 if necessary to ensure per pupil funding is not reduced as a result of enrollment growth or the number of at-risk pupils enrolled; (3) avoid increasing the negative factor in 2016-17; (4) increase total program funding in 2016-17; and reclassify the Hospital Provider Fee to an enterprise fund (see attached Exhibit A for the complete statement).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Adams County School District 50 supports the Colorado Superintendents’ Statement regarding Advocacy for Adequate School Funding and will work individually and collectively, and in cooperation with other like-minded boards of education, professional organizations and citizen organizations to restore school funding as required by Amendment 23 and the 1994 School Finance Act.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 2016.

Larry Dean Valente, President

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