MOTIONS/RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED TO THE LOS ANGELES CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR CONSIDERATION

SUBJECT: Supporting AB 1725 Funding for After School Programs (Res-027-18/19) (Waiver of Board Rule 72)

DATE NOTICED: 03-19-19 PRESENTED FOR ACTION: 03-19-19 **PRESENTED BY:** Mr. Melvoin, Ms. García

MOVED/SECONDED BY: Ms. Gonez/ Mr. Melvoin

MOTION:

RESOLUTION: x

Whereas, In 2002, California voters approved Proposition 49 which provides a continuous appropriation of over \$550 million annually to provide students in lowincome communities access to safe, enriching after-school programs that offer academic assistance, enrichment activities, and recreational activities; the implementation of the ballot measure began in 2006 with the After School Education and Safety Program (ASES Program);

Whereas, On average, schools participating in the ASES Program have more than 80 percent of their student population eligible for free and reduced price meals;

Whereas, The ASES Program provides funding for over 4,000 elementary and middle schools throughout the State and serves more than 400,000 students daily; more than 100,000 of these participants are in the Los Angeles Unified School District;

Whereas, Research shows that participation in the ASES Program improves school attendance, reduces dropout rates, helps English Learners transition to proficiency, and develops Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics (STEAM) learning;

Whereas, Such programs enrich workforce skills, build social-emotional skills, improve health and nutrition, prevent and reduce youth substance use and abuse, and reduce crime involving youth;

Whereas, Working parents and guardians rely on safe and effective after-school programs to enable them to work additional hours to support their families, while children depend on these programs to obtain valuable skills during a high crime period of the day;

Whereas, The State's per capita investment in the ASES Program has declined since 2006, despite substantial increases to the costs of operating these programs;

Whereas, As costs have significantly outpaced dedicated funding, ASES programs have been forced to reduce the essential academic supports and enrichment opportunities they provide to pupils; nearly one-quarter of ASES programs are likely to close their doors by 2020 unless they receive additional funding;

Whereas, The Legislature is currently considering AB 1725 (Carrillo) and the corresponding budget request, which would appropriate additional funds for the Program; and

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Whereas, AB 1725 and the additional appropriation for the Program would ensure that children statewide will have an opportunity to enroll in the Program and will also increase educational outcomes for students in the District; now, therefore, be it

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District strongly supports Assembly Bill 1725, introduced by Assembly Member Wendy Carrillo and the appropriation of additional funds for the After School Education and Safety Program; and, be it finally

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Superintendent direct the Office of Government Relations to communicate the District's position to the appropriate committees of the State Legislature and the Los Angeles delegation.

	AYES	NOES	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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Ms. Gonez	X			
Dr. McKenna	X			
Mr. Melvoin	X			
VACANT				
Mr. Schmerelson	X			
Dr. Vladovic	X			
Ms. Garcia	X			
TOTAL	6			

ACTION: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE