A RESOLUTION expressing the Board's intent with respect to the use of proceeds of bonds to be issued following approval of the voters of the District, establishment of a bond accountability committee and other related matters

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the El Paso Independent School District located in El Paso County, Texas (the "District") has called an election to be held on November 8, 2016 (the "Election") to authorize the issuance of \$668,695,577 of unlimited tax school building bonds (the "Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, at public meetings and presentations in connection with the Election, there have been various public discussions of the District's plans for its facilities and the construction projects currently anticipated to be financed with Bond proceeds in the event the District voters approve the Bonds in the Election; and

WHEREAS, the Board would like to establish its current intention to use funds from any issuance of the Bonds for certain projects; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that this action is in the best interests of the citizens of the District; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE EL PASO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

SECTION 1: The Board covenants and pledges to the voters of the District that the District will issue the Bonds, if approved by the voters, in one or more series, in accordance with applicable requirements of law, for the construction, renovation, demolition, and equipment of school buildings and school facilities in the District, including technology improvements, safety and security improvements, school reconstruction, renovations to existing facilities and athletic facilities improvements; the purchase of necessary sites for school buildings; and the purchase of new school buses (collectively, the "2016 Bond Projects"). The 2016 Bond Projects shall include:

- (i) turf replacement for all traditional high schools;
- (ii) track and tennis courts improvements for various high schools;
- (iii) athletic court/field lighting for school facilities;
- (iv) playgrounds, shading, court renovations (outdoor learning environment) for various elementary schools;
 - (v) perimeter security (fencing/lighting/sensors) for various school facilities;
- (vi) technology improvements, including student and teacher computers, Wi-Fi and network infrastructure;
 - (vii) regular and special needs buses;

- (viii) improvements to existing school facilities and/or construction of a new school to allow for the rebuilding, renovation and/or consolidation of Hughey Elementary and Ross Middle School;
 - (ix) major renovations and improvements to Crockett Elementary School;
- (x) either major renovations and improvements to Bassett Middle School or construction of a new Northeast Middle School as a replacement to Bassett Middle School, such option to be finally determined by the Board;
- (xi) major renovations and improvements to Austin High School, El Paso High School (including fine arts addition), Andress High School, Coronado High School, Irvin High School, Burges High School, and Jefferson High School (including the Silva Magnet High School for Health Care Professions);
- (xii) improvements to existing school facilities and/or construction of a new school to allow for the consolidation of Bradley Elementary School and Fannin Elementary School;
- (xiii) improvements to existing school facilities and/or construction of a new school to allow for the consolidation of Henderson Middle School and Clardy Elementary School;
- (xiv) improvements to existing school facilities and/or construction of a new school to allow for the consolidation of Lincoln Middle School, Bond Elementary School and Roberts Elementary School;
- (xv) improvements to existing school facilities and/or construction of a new school to allow for the consolidation of MacArthur Middle School and Bonham Elementary School;
- (xvi) improvements to existing school facilities and/or construction of a new school to allow for the consolidation of Morehead Middle School and Johnson Elementary School;
- (xvii) improvements to existing school facilities and/or construction of a new school to allow for the consolidation of Terrace Hills Middle School and Collins Elementary School; and
- (xviii) improvements to existing school facilities and/or construction of a new school to allow for the consolidation of Dowell Elementary School, Schuster Elementary School and Crosby Elementary School.

The order of the listed 2016 Bond Projects in this Section is not intended to confer any priority of construction scheduling.

SECTION 2: Following approval of the Bonds by the voters at the Election, the Board shall establish a Bond Accountability Committee to monitor implementation of the 2016 Bond Projects.

SECTION 3: Within limitations required by principles of sound fiscal management, the current Board of Trustees of the District believes that (i) it is a priority to make teacher and campus staff compensation and/or benefits more competitive with other area school districts in

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order to retain and recruit talented and experienced teachers and campus support staff and (ii) the actual savings to the District derived from the consolidation and closure of schools should support additional funding for any such increased compensation and benefits.

- SECTION 4: District staff will hold one or more public meetings to discuss the preferred use or disposition of school facilities that are closed as part of any school consolidation. The current Board of Trustees of the District believes that no excess property should be sold to competing charter schools unless otherwise required by applicable law.
- SECTION 5: The recitals contained in the preamble hereof are hereby found to be true, and such recitals are hereby made a part of this Resolution for all purposes and are adopted as a part of the judgment and findings of the Board.
- <u>SECTION 6:</u> This Resolution shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.
- SECTION 7: If any provision of this Resolution or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Resolution and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and the Board hereby declares that this Resolution would have been enacted without such invalid provision.
- SECTION 8: It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Resolution is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Resolution, was given, all as required by Chapter 551, as amended, Texas Government Code.
- SECTION 9: This Resolution shall be in force and effect from and after the date of its adoption, and it is so resolved.

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PASSED AND APPROVED, this <u>September</u> 28 201.6

EL PASO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

Secretary, Board of Trustees

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