

MOUNTAIN VIEW LOS ALTOS HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

**RESOLUTION NO. 20-14: RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE T –
MOUNTAIN VIEW WHISMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT'S
LOCAL FUNDING MEASURE TO PROVIDE
TEACHER HOUSING AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, Mountain View Whisman School District schools provide a high-quality education for local elementary and middle school students; and

WHEREAS, aging facilities, growing student enrollment and a lack of housing that is affordable for teachers are putting the quality of education in our local elementary and middle schools at risk; and

WHEREAS, Measure T ensures these local schools have the modern classrooms, science labs and computer systems needed to prepare students for high school, college and today's careers; and

WHEREAS, Measure T upgrades aging facilities for student safety and security; and

WHEREAS, enrollment is expected to grow in the coming years and Measure T will provide safe and modern classrooms to ensure all students can attend their neighborhood schools; and

WHEREAS, with the rapidly rising cost of living, Mountain View schools lose qualified and experienced teachers to lower cost of living areas and some teachers work second jobs or commute long distances to work in our community; and

WHEREAS, Measure T will provide housing options that are affordable for teachers and school staff so our best educators stay in Mountain View; and

WHEREAS, the passage of Measure T will replace aging and inefficient windows, lighting, heating and ventilation systems for cost savings and environmental sustainability while also upgrading facilities to accommodate short term student enrollment growth; and

WHEREAS, updating classrooms and labs through Measure T will maintain quality technology, art, music and science programs; and

WHEREAS, Measure T requires strict fiscal accountability provisions, including that all funding must be spent in Mountain View Whisman schools and cannot be taken by the State; and

WHEREAS, an independent citizens' oversight committee and mandatory audits ensure funds are spent properly and no funds can be used for administrators' salaries, pensions or benefits; and

WHEREAS, supporting local schools is a wise investment that keeps our property values high and enhances our quality of life.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mountain View Los Altos Board of Education and Superintendent support Mountain View Whisman School District’s local bond, Measure T, and the benefits to students its passage would provide.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Mountain View Los Altos Board of Trustees at a regular meeting held on Monday, September 27, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

Sanjay Dave
President, Board of Education

Nellie Meyer, Ed.D.
Superintendent