RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Resolution No. 1314-0044

Support – U. S. Supreme Court – Overturning Michigan's Proposal 2, Analogous to California Proposition 209

WHEREAS, on October 15th, the United States Supreme Court will hear oral arguments on the constitutional challenge to Michigan's anti-affirmative action ballot proposal – Proposition 2; and .

WHEREAS, the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in favor of the constitutional challenge to Proposition 2 and struck it down. The Supreme Court will review this decision; and

WHEREAS, a victory in the Michigan case could strike down anti-affirmative measures across the nation; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Unified School District supports the protection of the political rights and educational rights of all students, regardless of race, creed, religion, familial status; and

WHEREAS, a united, inclusive America includes democratic core values, democratic political rights, and equal opportunities for all student; and

WHEREAS, gaps in educational opportunities means widening gaps in employment, family income, home ownership, and economic opportunities,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Oakland Board of Education calls on the US Supreme Court to uphold the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals decision in striking down Michigan's Proposal 2 and end these attacks upon democracy, educational access and opportunity. The Oakland Board of Education supports and urges the widest possible participation in the mobilization to the Supreme Court on October 15th. Passed by the following Vote:

AYES: Jody London, James Harris, Roseann Torres, Anne Campbell Washington, Christopher Dobbins, Vice President Jumoke Hinton Hodge, President David Kakishiba

NOES: None

ABSTAINED:None

ABSENT: None

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Oakland Unified School District held on October 9, 2013.

_s/

Dr. Gary Yee, Acting Superintendent and Secretary, Board of Education

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