

Mr. Schmerelson, Dr. McKenna - Standing With the Families of Maui and Encouraging by Providing Support and Resources (Res-006-23/24) (Waiver of Board Rule 72)

Whereas, The unprecedented wildfires on Maui, Hawaii have caused devastation, destruction and loss of life with Maui County reporting damage to hundreds of structures and search and rescue operations continuing for hundreds of individuals still missing;

Whereas, Both public and private schools, serving children now displaced, without homes, and traumatized, have been damaged and destroyed depriving children of what had been their safe space;

Whereas, Students and staff in the Los Angeles Unified School District have in the past demonstrated their compassion and willingness to help those in great need;

Whereas, Many District staff and students originate from the Hawaiian Islands and have a special connection to the tragedy; and

Whereas, The District has a moral and civic obligation to teach its students the fundamental value in assisting those in need, anywhere in our world community, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District encourages those who are able to support the Maui community and their youth as they recover and rebuild; expresses the need for all to step forward to assist in any way possible and directs the Superintendent to determine how District staff and resources could be utilized to help;

Resolved further, That the Superintendent identify a District point person for relief efforts and encourage our collective bargaining units to identify point persons to form a united assistance team;

Resolved further, That the Superintendent Investigate the possibility of mobilizing District mental health workers and other first responders for possible deployment for purposes of training or on the ground intervention in Maui;

Resolved further, That the Board directs the Superintendent to seek a Los Angeles Unified arrange for a Consolidated Charitable Campaign partner to focus District staff on contributions to support the recovery and rebuilding of Maui recovery; and be it finally

Resolved further, That the Superintendent immediately communicate with all of the District's Facilities and New Construction Team Partners to investigate the possibility of assisting Maui in efforts to rebuild schools; and, be it finally

Resolved, That the Board expresses its sympathies and sorrow for all impacted by the loss of life and property in this tragic event, and that we stand with students and families in rebuilding their homes, schools and communities.