

La Cañada Unified School District

**Resolution #10-06-07 Opposing Proposition 88
Education Funding. Real Property Tax.**

WHEREAS, Proposition 88 would raise only about half the amount of the lottery and potentially, like the lottery, lead the public to assume that it has solved the problem of under funded schools while increasing funding by less than one-half of one percent; and

WHEREAS, this initiative would impose severe penalties, including fines and loss of administrative credentials, for even an inadvertent misallocation of funds; and

WHEREAS, through the class-size reduction requirement, Proposition 88 would require districts to implement a program with annually increasing costs with revenue that will not increase from year to year; and

WHEREAS, this initiative would expand the role of the State Board of Education into local governance by requiring it to approve all instructional materials (not just textbooks) for all grade levels (not just elementary); and

WHEREAS, Proposition 88 would provide that districts that receive “academic success facility grants” of \$500 per student would lose their eligibility for state funding for new school construction of \$4,236 and \$9,805 per student or for modernization funding of \$3,059 to \$4,236 per student; and

WHEREAS, the needs-based funding formula would make it more difficult for La Cañada Unified School District to receive its fair share of funds; and

WHEREAS, passage of Proposition 88 may negatively affect support for future local tax elections.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the La Cañada Unified School District Governing Board that we oppose Proposition 88 on the November 7, 2006 ballot.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of October, 2006.



Scott Tracy, Governing Board President