



Alder Creek Middle School
Parent Teacher Organization
Resolution for Climate Action 2019

WHEREAS, according to the Environmental Protection Agency “global warming” refers to the recent and ongoing rise in global average temperature near earth’s surface caused predominantly by increasing concentrations of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere leading to changes in climate patterns, and “climate change” refers to any significant change in the measures of climate (including in temperature, precipitation, or wind patterns) that lasts for an extended period of time of decades or longer; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 Position Statement by the National Parent Teacher Association recognizes the scientific consensus surrounding climate change and the impact of human activities. Children represent a particularly vulnerable group already suffering disproportionately from both direct and indirect adverse health effects of anthropogenic global warming; and

WHEREAS, the California State Parent Teacher Association adopted a “Climate Change is a Children’s Issue” resolution in 2015 that urges school districts to serve as role models for practices that promote energy conservation, alternative energy sources, reducing dependency on automobile travel and encouraging sustainable practices; and

WHEREAS, the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District adopted a “Healthy and Environmentally Sound Schools” resolution in 2018 that supports continued implementation of education and engagement of parents and the community on sustainability efforts by the District. The Tahoe Truckee Unified School District is within the ecologically sensitive Lake Tahoe Basin and Sierra Nevada Range, which provides students a unique opportunity to learn principles and practices of environment stewardship; and

WHEREAS, in 2018 the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District was recognized by the California Department of Education for its sustainability efforts and was named a Green Ribbon School District, is leading the way in *resource conservation and environmental literacy, and earned the highest award, the “Green Achiever” award.*

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Alder Creek Middle School Parent Teacher Organization hereby supports the Call on Congress to swiftly end decades of climate neglect by passing commonsense national climate policies and prioritize enacting climate legislation, such as carbon-pricing, a 100% clean energy transition plan, and green infrastructure, to restore the climate for the good of our kids and future generations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT...We ask our secretary to transmit official copies of this resolution to our *school administration, the Schools for Climate Action campaign, our district, county, and state school boards, our district teachers’ union, the California School Boards Association, all California members of Congress, the Congressional Climate Solutions Caucus, and the National School Board Association.*

Votes: Ayes: 9 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0

Signed: Stephen Boyd President Al Car... Secretary

On 5/21/2019 Witnessed by Elvia Lopez Lopez (Faculty)