



Resolution No. 2017/18-034
February 28, 2018

COMMITMENT TO CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION

WHEREAS, we believe it is important to advocate for climate action to curtail one of the greatest threats facing communities throughout the world; and,

WHEREAS, we believe that climate change should not be a partisan nor political issue and that local, state, and national policies should be guided by the best available science; and,

WHEREAS, there is a broad scientific consensus among climate scientists that human activities, contributing to increases in greenhouse gas emissions, are the dominant cause in climate change; and,

WHEREAS, children represent a particularly vulnerable group because greenhouse gases emitted into the atmosphere will accumulate over the coming decades and will profoundly impact today's children throughout their lives as well as the lives of future generations; and,

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa City Schools recognizes climate change as a children's issue; and,

WHEREAS, the global impact, urgency, and magnitude of the challenge of addressing climate change calls for leadership in all sectors of society, all institutions and all elected leaders; and,

WHEREAS, we work to ensure that all Santa Rosa City Schools' students graduate as "globally-minded" citizens of the world.

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa City Schools has a responsibility to minimize its greenhouse gas emissions, demonstrate leadership, and provide education and actionable solutions that children can engage in to address climate change, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Santa Rosa City Schools shall work collaboratively with the school community to develop recommendations for taking action on climate change that are within the purview of the District, such as: curricular and educational opportunities; facilities and operational priorities and projects; targets for reducing District greenhouse gas emissions; and engagement with local state and federal jurisdictions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of February, 2018

Laurie Fong, Clerk of the Board