

**RESOLUTION OF THE PETALUMA CITY (ELEMENTARY) AND
PETALUMA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS, COUNTY OF SONOMA,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA CALLING FOR
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 instruction 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, the Petaluma City Schools Board of Trustees recognizes climate change as a human 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, the enactment of carbon pricing policies could substantially reduce or eliminate net human-made greenhouse gas emissions, thereby protecting our current and future students; and,

WHEREAS, we work to ensure that all Petaluma City Schools' students graduate as knowledgeable citizens of the world.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Petaluma City Schools Board of Education shall support inquiry-based, teacher and student instruction on the global warming, climate change, and research based approaches to reducing the impact of greenhouse gas emissions.

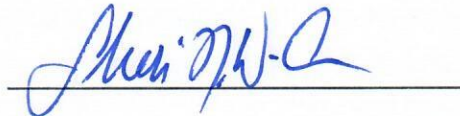
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Petaluma City Schools Board of Education will support the following initiatives:

- Science based instruction in the areas of climate change, greenhouse gas emissions and global warming as appropriately sequenced in the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)
- Increased opportunities for students in both academic and non-academic venues to learn more about climate change, greenhouse gas emissions and global warming
- Walk and Roll to School programs
- Continued increase in practices that reduce Petaluma City Schools' carbon footprint

The foregoing resolution was moved by Trustee LYNCH seconded by Trustee WEBSTER, and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Education on April 24th, 2018, by the following roll call vote:

BADDELEY: AYE CHLEBOWSKI: AYE ELLIS: AYE LYNCH AYE WEBSTER: AYE
Whereupon, the President declared the above Resolution adopted and

SO ORDERED this
24th day of April 2018



Sheri Chlebowski, President
Board of Education

ATTEST:


Gary Callahan, Secretary