



RESOLUTION 11-1 DECLARING SUPPORT FOR DOUGLAS COUNTY
SCHOOL DISTRICT MILL LEVY OVERRIDE ELECTION

WHEREAS, Ben Franklin Academy (the "Academy") is a charter School duly organized and existing under the Constitution and the laws of the state of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the Academy serves students and parents in partnership with Douglas County School District (the "School District"); and

WHEREAS, the Academy is concerned about the future education funding for the Academy and the School District; and

WHEREAS, over the past several years, the State of Colorado (the "State") has reduced funding of public education through budget cuts and rescissions, which severely impact the School District and the Academy; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these budget cuts and rescissions, the School District has cut millions from its own budget, which directly affects the Academy's budget; and

WHEREAS, it is expected that the State will continue to ratchet down spending for educational purposes in order to balance its budget; and

WHEREAS, in order to offset these budget cuts and rescissions, the School District has approved a resolution asking its voters to approve a \$20 million mil levy increase (ballot measure 3A) to offset these spending cuts; and

WHEREAS, the Academy has been assured by the School District that the Academy will distribute a pro rata share of the mil levy revenue to charter schools should voters approve the measure.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Academy hereby SUPPORTS BALLOT MEASURE 3A and urges the passage of this measure at the November 1, 2011 Election.

Adopted this October 11, 2011.

Jason Sanders, President