## CAPISTRANO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT San Juan Capistrano, California

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2122-25**

## RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CAPISTRANO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 75, KINDERGARTEN-COMMUNITY COLLEGES PUBLIC EDUCATION FACILITIES BOND ACT OF 2022

WHEREAS, The Capistrano Unified School District (District) is committed to providing a quality education to our students and preparing them to succeed in today's global economy; and

WHEREAS, the District has over \$500 million in facility needs which is eligible to be partially matched by State School Facility funds; and

WHEREAS, the District has several projects on the current Wait List eligible for approximately \$17,731,247 in state matching funds if voters approve AB 75; and

WHEREAS, many of our schools are 25-50 years old and deteriorating, requiring significant upgrades; and

WHEREAS, school buildings over 75 years old will qualify for replacement facilities; and

WHEREAS, replacing, upgrading and/or building new classrooms and facilities is expensive and state school bond funds provide the opportunity for Districts to build safe, welcoming, and modern classrooms that offer the learning opportunities required for a high-quality 21st century education; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 75, as currently written, authorizes the Kindergarten-Community Colleges Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2022 (Bond Act of 2022), providing funding for renovation and improvements of existing classrooms, construction of new classrooms and school facilities, upgrades for HVAC and clean air filters; and

WHEREAS, the District supports the School Facility Program retaining date order funding for all projects on the Wait List; and

WHEREAS, the passage of a new State Facility Bond will create jobs throughout California, including careers within the building trades, and

WHEREAS, the State of California has committed funds from all previous bond measures and is currently facing an increasing backlog of unfunded needs, currently at over \$3 billion dollars; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 75, the Bond Act of 2022, will not raise individual local property taxes, and

WHEREAS, 17,000 middle class jobs are created for each \$1 billion in school facility infrastructure investment; and

WHEREAS, the Bond Act of 2022 provides disaster assistance in times of critical need; and

WHEREAS, the Bond Act of 2022 increases the ability for Districts to access additional state matching funds, which may be used for HVAC upgrades, energy efficiency, earthquake safety, removal of hazardous material, and more; and

WHEREAS, quality 21st-century school facilities designed to meet student need enhance academic achievement and further the state's scholastic and economic goals; and

WHEREAS, investments in modern school facilities are investments in our youth, our communities, our economy, and our shared future; and

WHEREAS, the Bond Act of 2022 will appear on the ballot at a statewide election held in 2022 and become operative only if approved by voters; and

WHEREAS, the Bond Act of 2022 will provide \$12 billion for facilities at the state's K-12 schools, and community colleges; and

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*, that the Capistrano Unified School District supports the Assembly Bill 75 the Kindergarten-Community Colleges Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2022 in its current form as drafted and published on May 24, 2021.

*PASSED AND ADOPTED* by the Board of Trustees of the Capistrano Unified School District on December 15, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES (7)
NOES (0)
ABSTAIN (0)
ABSENT (0)

I, Kirsten M. Vital Brulte, Secretary of the Capistrano Unified School District Board of Trustees, hereby certify that the above and foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the said Board at the meeting on December 15, 2021, by a roll call vote.

By:

Gila Jones Clerk of the Board of Trustees

By:

Kirsten M. Vital Brulte, Superintendent Secretary of the Board of Trustees