

Cap of New LAUSD Charters by the State of California

Whereas the Los Angeles Unified School District is facing significant financial pressures including underfunding of special education by the federal government, low state per pupil funding, and declining enrollment, and

Whereas Los Angeles Unified School District, like every other California school district is legally required to accept and review applications for new charter schools, and

Whereas, The California State Board of Education and Los Angeles County Office of Education may and have authorized charter schools within LA Unified boundaries, sometimes approving after initial rejection by the LA Unified Board of Education;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the members of the Los Angeles Unified Board of Education do hereby express our desire for the Governor, the California State Board of Education, and California Department of Education to conduct a comprehensive study to inform future policy considerations for charter authorization reform, and

Resolved, that the comprehensive study consider policy recommendations impacting charter co-locations, fiscal implications, and facility management, and

Be it further resolved, that until this comprehensive study has been completed, we urge the California State Legislature to impose a cap on new charter schools approved in our school district, and

Be it finally resolved, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted by the Office of the Superintendent to Governor Gavin Newsom, the State Board of Education, and the California Department of Education.