

GEARY COUNTY USD 475
House Standing Committee on Education Budget
Testimony on HB 2109
Relating to school districts an school finance
February 7, 2013

Chairman Cassidy and members of the Committee, My name is Ronald P. Walker, Superintendent, Geary County USD 475. Please allow me to express my sincere gratitude for this grand opportunity to provide testimony in support of HB 2109.

HB 2109 is an essential part of the education, finance and programming for schools that have the honor of providing an education for our military dependents. We consider our responsibility to be a noble cause in support of our Kansas military families. There are multiple reasons why it is important to us.

Our collective school districts accepts the responsibility to maintain the high quality of education for those who have chosen to serve this nation by giving their time, their talents, and in many instances, their lives!

Our school districts consider the duty to educate our military dependent children as our statement, and the statement of Kansas that we appreciate their fathers and mothers who so freely serve to maintain our freedoms. Since my district supports the mighty Big Red One, my board of education and site councils all join me through resolutions in strong support of HB 2109.

Some may ask why it is necessary to support this HB 2109. As many of my colleagues will attest, they learned firsthand this past summer about the life of a military dependent. I think many of them were astounded to learn many of the students had moved 5 or 6 times before they reached 8th grade. They also learned of the many stressors children face when a parent is either about to or is deployed. Many of my colleagues were amazed we have been able to maintain the academic results we have! We feel we owe it to our students, parents, community, state and nation to offer the absolute best education to the children of the parents who serve and protect our nation.

As previously testified by John Armbrust, in addition to providing our students with a high quality education, the return on your investment are matched by the economic impact of the states military personnel. For the state to receive well over \$5.5 billion in wages and contractual services through personnel. The investment on the second count provides a tremendous bargain for the state of Kansas. And to think, I did not even mention this money is turned over in the economy at least 2.2 times. I also did not mention all the construction activity, ordering of materials and equipment that totals in the billions and are largely purchased from Kansas firms. So the ROI is extremely beneficial to the state of Kansas.

While we can never be sure of the outcome of any Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) action, we are positive that community involvement and state investment are definite ways to enhance the opportunity Kansas will fare well in any BRAC. We have the experience and we have the know-how to position Kansas in the best place possible. The second count is the KANSAS way to demonstrate to the powers to be in the Department of Defense and the Pentagon that Kansas is a military friendly state and we do care about the dependents of our heroes! The Kansas military dependent second count is known throughout the Pentagon as a best practice for all states. It is essential to Kansas to maintain the status of a military friendly state in the eyes of the Department of Defense.

The concept of a military child second count is totally a Kansas concept. It is a unique way to provide unstabilizing support for the military child who sees more in their young life than many of us will see in our lifetime.

I can still see the eyes and smile of the young 4th grader at one of my elementary schools. I had finished reading to the entire class and was enjoying speaking with the group of students. This young man walked up to me with a huge smile on his face. He looked me in the eyes, shook my hand and asked a simple question. He said, "Mr. Walker, can you teach me to be a man?" I was stunned by the question and replied, "Why do you ask?" He said, "My dad was killed in Iraq last night and before he left he told me if anything happened to him, I had to take care of my family! He had the greatest personality and such a sweet smile. I had no idea he was carrying the weight of the world on his back! Sadly to say, we expected this same student to score above proficient on his Kansas assessments in two months!

Since we hire so many military spouses as teachers and other support personnel in our district, you might imagine we work through many issues with them as well. There is one teacher in my district who recently married a soldier. She was very excited and very happy that her life now made sense. Then the soldier deployed to Afghanistan. His deployment was for 11 months. While he was gone, there would be frequent reports about major injuries of soldiers in his platoon. Then there was the call that a soldier had died. No name was immediately attached. This teacher was very stressed for two days until the name was released. That was followed in two weeks with another announcement that a soldier had been killed, again with no name. She had to wait another two days for the name to be released. While all this was going on, the teacher maintained a very high level of instruction for her students and always met them with a very big smile on her face!

Both these examples are people I consider heroes and provide my drive to maintain the best possible education we can. The second count helps us to do that.

It is my pleasure to speak on behalf of the following site councils:

Junction City Middle School, Eisenhower Elementary, Franklin Elementary, Grandview Elementary, Lincoln Elementary, Milford Elementary, Sheridan Elementary, Spring Valley Elementary, Westwood Elementary, Fort Riley Middle School, Ft Riley Elem, Jefferson Elementary, Morris Hill Elementary, Seitz Elementary, and Ware Elementary, Also Junction City High School

And the following Boards of Education and Coops:

USD 207 Ft Leavenworth – Keith Mispagel, Superintendent
USD 383 Manhattan – Bob Shannon, Superintendent
USD 323 Rock Creek – Dr. Darrel Stufflebeam
USD 417 Morris County – Doug Conwell, Superintendent
USD 475 Geary County- Ronald P.s Walker, Superintendent
Twin Lakes Coop – Joint Resolution:
USD 223 – Barnes – Rick Simoncic, Superintendent
USD 334 Southern Cloud – Roger Perkins, Superintendent
USD 378 Riley County – Brad Starnes, Superintendent
USD 379 Clay Center – Mike Folks, Superintendent
USD 384 Blue Valley – Brady Burton, Superintendent

I also speak on behalf of thousands of military and especially the **BIG RED ONE** family members in support of HB 2109. It is therefore my pleasure to stand and proudly give my full support to HB 2109 and provide a big thank you to this committee for being foresighted enough to give your support to our military families. For all of our schools and administrators and teachers we say:

"No Mission Too Difficult, No Sacrifice Too Great—Duty First"

On Behalf of all of our students, parents, and families, thank you!

**RESOLUTION OF
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
Geary County USD 475 Board of Education*

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

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WHEREAS, the public school districts in Geary County, Kansas, have been, and are, a major factor in the economic, business, and social success of the citizens of Geary County, Kansas, and for Geary County and its citizens to maintain their competitive advantage and to enhance their economic, business, and social opportunities, adequate funding of the public school districts is essential;

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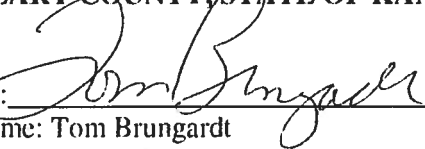
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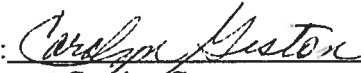
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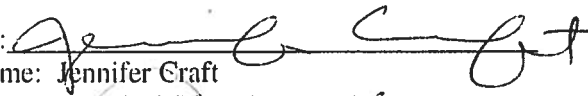
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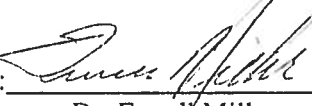
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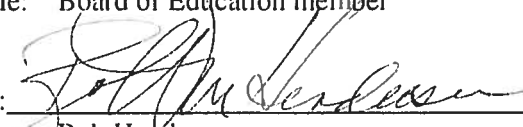
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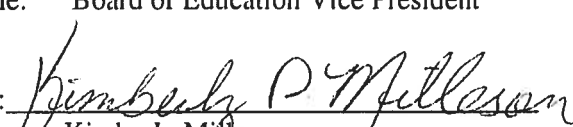
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Name: Tom Brungardt
Title: Board of Education member

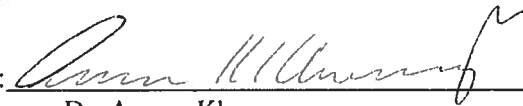
By: 
Name: Carolyn Gaston
Title: Board of Education member


By: 
Name: Jennifer Craft
Title: Board of Education member

By: 
Name: Dr. Ferrell Miller
Title: Board of Education Vice President

By: 
Name: Bob Henderson
Title: Board of Education President

By: 
Name: Kimberly Milledan
Title: Board of Education member

By: 
Name: Dr. Anwar Khoury
Title: Board of Education member

By: 
Name: CSM Colvin Bennett
Title: Ft. Riley Representative

**RESOLUTION OF
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
Geary County USD 475 Board of Education*

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GEARY COUNTY USD 475 BOARD OF EDUCATION:

1. Seitz Elementary hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. Seitz Elementary of Unified School District No. 475 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by Seitz Elementary on January 28, 2013.

**UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

By: Kristen Rodriguez
Name: Kristen Rodriguez (Parent)

By: Jennifer Hansen
Name: Jennifer Hansen (Parent)

By: Sammie Devin
Name: Sammie Devin, principal

By: Jayci Hamm
Name: Jayci Hamm (Teacher)

By: Jodi A. Testa
Name: Jodi A. Testa (asst. principal)

By: Jacqueline Quiroz
Name: Jacqueline Quiroz (Parent)

By: Nicholas J. Morgan
Name: Nicholas J. Morgan (asst. to the principal)

By: _____
Name: _____

**RESOLUTION OF
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
The Grandview Elementary Site Council*

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
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This Resolution was adopted by the GRANDVIEW SITE COUNCIL at a meeting on January 16, 2013.

**UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

By: Joyce Hill
Name: Joyce Hill
Title: Grandview Site Council member

By: Carmalee Thomas
Name: ~~Lisa~~ Thomas, Carmalee - C.T.
Title: Grandview Site Council member

By: Erin Bohanan
Name: Erin Bohanan
Title: Grandview Site Council member

By: Jeremy Fajen
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Title: Grandview Site Council member

By: Christy Beamer
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Title: Grandview Site Council member

By: Lynn Inkman
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Title: Grandview Site Council member

By: Becky Hinck
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Title: Grandview Site Council member

By: Valerie French
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Title: Grandview Site Council member

**RESOLUTION OF
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*RESOLUTION OF
Westwood Elementary School Site Council*

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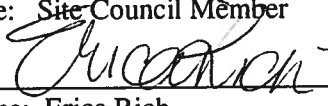
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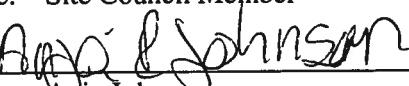
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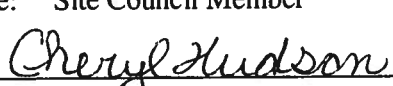
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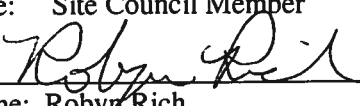
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Name: Erica Rich
Title: Site Council Member

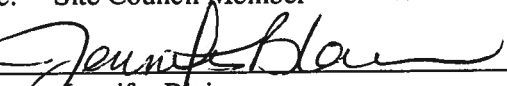
By: 
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By: 
Name: Cheryl Hudson
Title: Site Council Member

By: 
Name: Nicole Coons
Title: Site Council Member

By: 
Name: Robyn Rich
Title: Site Council Chairperson

By: 
Name: Danielle Knight
Title: Site Council Member

By: 
Name: Jennifer Blair
Title: Site Council Member

By: Tyler Edmonson
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By: Paris Souza
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WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

WHEREAS, without appropriate funding and support for public school districts and the military parents and children who they serve in Geary County, Kansas, the businesses and citizens of Geary County will suffer a significant reduction in the quality of life and extent of educational programs and services offered by such school districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GEARY COUNTY USD 475 BOARD OF EDUCATION:

1. The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 475 hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 475 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education at a regular meeting of the Board on January 8, 2013.

JCMS Site Council

1/14/2013

Mary B. Weyt - Principal
Kaden Masterton
Jan M. Mott
Amy Roethlisberger
Carol Arjona
Joyce Hill
Charm Gpat
Mary Schuch teacher
Michael Frint Counselor

**RESOLUTION OF
EISENHOWER ELEMENTARY
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
EISENHOWER ELEMENTARY*
**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE SITE COUNCIL OF EISENHOWER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FROM UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

A RESOLUTION OF THE SITE COUNCIL OF EISENHOWER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FROM GEARY COUNTY USD 475, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children get an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the public school districts in Geary County, Kansas, have been, and are, a major factor in the economic, business, and social success of the citizens of Junction City, Kansas, and for Geary County and its citizens to maintain their competitive advantage and to enhance their economic, business, and social opportunities, adequate funding of the public school districts is essential;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

WHEREAS, without appropriate funding and support for public school districts and the military parents and children who they serve in Geary County, Kansas, the businesses and citizens of Geary County will suffer a significant reduction in the quality of life and extent of educational programs and services offered by such school districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SITE COUNCIL OF EISENHOWER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SITE COUNCIL OF EISENHOWER ELEMENTARY OF GEARY COUNTY USD 475:

1. The Site Council of Eisenhower Elementary of Unified School District No. 475 hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. The Site Council of Eisenhower Elementary of Unified School District No. 475 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by The Site Council of Eisenhower Elementary at a regular meeting of the Council on January 14, 2013.

**EISENHOWER ELEMENTARY
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

By: Susan Pender
Name: Susan Pender
Title: SITE Council, President

By: Paul Helton
Name: Paul Helton
Title: SITE Council, Vice-President

By: Vaughn DeGuzman
Name: Vaughn DeGuzman
Title: SITE Council

By: Todd Johnson
Name: Todd Johnson
Title: SITE Council

By: Keith Egan
Name: Keith Egan
Title: SITE Council

By: Steve Hunt
Name: Steve Hunt
Title: SITE Council

By: Delvin James
Name: Delvin James
Title: SITE Council

By: Karen Malec
Name: Karen Malec
Title: SITE Council

By: Susan Kamphaus
Name: Susan Kamphaus
Title: SITE Council

By: Susan K. Guinn
Name: Susan Guinn
Title: SITE Council

**RESOLUTION OF
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
Franklin Elementary School*

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

A RESOLUTION OF THE GEARY COUNTY USD 475 FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children get an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the public school districts in Geary County, Kansas, have been, and are, a major factor in the economic, business, and social success of the citizens of Geary County, Kansas, and for Geary County and its citizens to maintain their competitive advantage and to enhance their economic, business, and social opportunities, adequate funding of the public school districts is essential;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

WHEREAS, without appropriate funding and support for public school districts and the military parents and children who they serve in Geary County, Kansas, the businesses and citizens of Geary County will suffer a significant reduction in the quality of life and extent of educational programs and services offered by such school districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GEARY COUNTY USD 475 FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

1. Franklin Elementary School of Unified School District No. 475 hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.
2. Franklin Elementary School of Unified School District No. 475 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education at a regular meeting of the Board on January 8, 2013.

**UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

By: Kathleen Benton
Name: Kathleen Benton
Title: Third Grade Teacher

By: Katrina Brenn
Name: Katina Brenn
Title: Director of Exceptional Student Services

By: Phyllis Gibson
Name: Phyllis Gibson
Title: Principal

By: Erika Macaluso
Name: Erika Macaluso
Title: Parent

By: LeAnn Smith
Name: LeAnn Smith
Title: Third Grade Teacher

**RESOLUTION OF
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
Geary County USD 475 Board of Education*

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

A RESOLUTION OF THE GEARY COUNTY USD 475 BOARD OF EDUCATION, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children get an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the public school districts in Geary County, Kansas, have been, and are, a major factor in the economic, business, and social success of the citizens of Geary County, Kansas, and for Geary County and its citizens to maintain their competitive advantage and to enhance their economic, business, and social opportunities, adequate funding of the public school districts is essential;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

WHEREAS, without appropriate funding and support for public school districts and the military parents and children who they serve in Geary County, Kansas, the businesses and citizens of Geary County will suffer a significant reduction in the quality of life and extent of educational programs and services offered by such school districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GEARY COUNTY USD 475 BOARD OF EDUCATION:

1. The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 475 hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 475 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education at a regular meeting of the Board on January 8, 2013.

**UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

By: Naomi Draper
Name: Naomi Draper
Title: Milford Elementary Site Council member

By: Karen Bender
Name: Karen Bender
Title: Milford Elementary Site Council member

By: Jill McKim
Name: Jill McKim
Title: Milford Elementary Site Council member

By: Phyllis Boller
Name: Phyllis Boller
Title: Milford Elementary Site Council member

By: _____
Name: Robyn Hamilton
Title: Milford Elementary Site Council member

By: _____
Name: Elizabeth Edwards
Title: Milford Elementary Site Council member

By: Vanessa Tiede
Name: Vanessa Tiede
Title: Milford Elementary Site Council member

By: Courtney Pfizenmaier
Name: Courtney Pfizenmaier
Title: Milford Elementary Site Council member

**RESOLUTION OF
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
Sheridan Elementary School Site Council*

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE SHERIDAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

A RESOLUTION OF THE SHERIDAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children get an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the public school districts in Geary County, Kansas, have been, and are, a major factor in the economic, business, and social success of the citizens of Geary County, Kansas, and for Geary County and its citizens to maintain their competitive advantage and to enhance their economic, business, and social opportunities, adequate funding of the public school districts is essential;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

WHEREAS, without appropriate funding and support for public school districts and the military parents and children who they serve in Geary County, Kansas, the businesses and citizens of Geary County will suffer a significant reduction in the quality of life and extent of educational programs and services offered by such school districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SHERIDAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SHERIDAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL:

1. The Sheridan Elementary School Site Council of District No. 475 hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. The Sheridan Elementary School Site Council of District No. 475 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by the Sheridan Elementary School Site Council at a regular meeting of the on March 12, 2013.

**THE SHERIDAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
SITE COUNCIL OF DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

By: Ben Schmidt
Name: Ben Schmidt
Title: President

By: Ronna Godfrey
Name: Ronna Godfrey
Title: Site Council Member

By: Daniel Dinkel
Name: Daniel Dinkel
Title: Teacher Representative

By: Amy Roether
Name: Amy Roether
Title: Site Council Member

By: Stephanie Johnson
Name: Stephanie Johnson
Title: Vice President

By: Dorothy Coleman
Name: Dorothy Coleman
Title: Principal

By: Shelley Gunderson
Name: Shelley Gunderson
Title: District Representative

By: Terrell Richardson-Smith
Name: Terrell Richardson-Smith
Title: Site Council Member

**RESOLUTION OF
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
Spring Valley Elementary Site Council*

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE SPRING VALLEY ELEMENTARY SITE COUNCIL OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children get an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the public school districts in Geary County, Kansas, have been, and are, a major factor in the economic, business, and social success of the citizens of Geary County, Kansas, and for Geary County and its citizens to maintain their competitive advantage and to enhance their economic, business, and social opportunities, adequate funding of the public school districts is essential;

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WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

WHEREAS, without appropriate funding and support for public school districts and the military parents and children who they serve in Geary County, Kansas, the businesses and citizens of Geary County will suffer a significant reduction in the quality of life and extent of educational programs and services offered by such school districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SPRING VALLEY ELEMENTARY SITE COUNCIL OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GEARY COUNTY USD 475 BOARD OF EDUCATION:

1. The Spring Valley Elementary Site Council of Unified School District No. 475 hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. The Spring Valley Elementary Site Council of Unified School District No. 475 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by the Spring Valley Elementary Site Council Members on January 15, 2013.

**UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

By: 
Name: Janet Allen
Title: Site Council Member

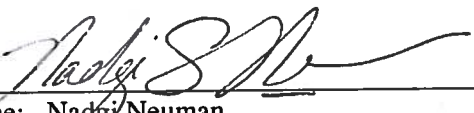
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Name: Claudia Beers
Title: Site Council Co-Chair

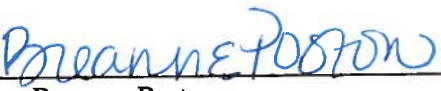
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Name: Janet Christian
Title: Site Council Member

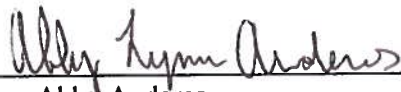
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Name: Jenilee Ingalls
Title: Site Council Member

By: 
Name: Henry Martinez
Title: Site Council Member

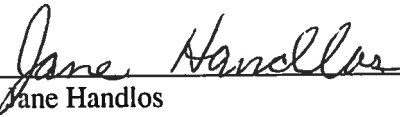
By: 
Name: Mary Martinez
Title: Site Council Member

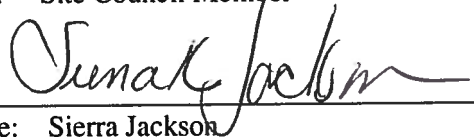
By: 
Name: Nadgi Neuman
Title: Site Council Co-Chair

By: 
Name: Breanne Poston
Title: Site Council Member

By: 
Name: Abby Anderes
Title: Site Council Secretary

By: 
Name: Brenda Breese
Title: Site Council Member

By: 
Name: Jane Handlos
Title: Site Council Member

By: 
Name: Sierra Jackson
Title: Site Council Member

By

**Spring Valley Elementary
Site Council Members
2012-2013**

<u>Member's Name</u>	<u>Email Address</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>	<u>Child/Children</u>
Janet Allen	mammaj.75@gmail.com	785-213-3143	Sophia
Abby Anderes (secretary)	abbyanderes@usd475.org	785-717-4790	Teacher
Claudia Beers (co-chair)	bebitos_2004@hotmail.com	914-565-5913	Christopher/ Daniella
Brenda Breese	brendabreese@usd475.org	785-717-4790	Teacher
Janet Christian	janetchristian@usd475.org	785-717-4050	District Office
Jane Handlos	janehandlos@usd475.org	785-717-4790	Nurse
Nancy Hermrek	nancyhermrek@usd475.org	785-717-4790	MFLC
Janilee Ingalls	jenileegalls@yahoo.com	270-348-1383	Hailey
Sierra Jackson	sierrajackson@usd475.org	785-717-4790	Principal
Henry Martinez	hmartinez5@cox.net	785-762-7933	Tyler-- <i>yes</i>
Mary Martinez	hmartinez5@cox.net	785-762-7933	Tyler -- <i>yes</i>
Colleen Murphy	collmurphy85@yhoo.com	334-790-9717	James/Nicholas
Nadgi Neuman (chair person)	nadgineneuman@usd475.org	785-787-0896	CJ - <i>yes</i>
Breanne Poston	breanneposton@yahoo.com	785-817-4028	Bayler/Taven - <i>yes</i>
Clarence Williams	apcrw3@lwim.org	785-717-9896	Gregory/Leah

**RESOLUTION OF
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
Geary County USD 475*

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

A RESOLUTION OF THE GEARY COUNTY USD 475, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children get an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the public school districts in Geary County, Kansas, have been, and are, a major factor in the economic, business, and social success of the citizens of Geary County, Kansas, and for Geary County and its citizens to maintain their competitive advantage and to enhance their economic, business, and social opportunities, adequate funding of the public school districts is essential;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

WHEREAS, without appropriate funding and support for public school districts and the military parents and children who they serve in Geary County, Kansas, the businesses and citizens of Geary County will suffer a significant reduction in the quality of life and extent of educational programs and services offered by such school districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GEARY COUNTY USD 475:

1. Unified School District No. 475 hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. Unified School District No. 475 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education at a regular meeting of the Board on January 8, 2013.

**UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

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Signature

Date

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Anessa Locke

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Lindsey Snider

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Amy Roether

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Kathi A. Teeter

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**RESOLUTION OF
FORT RILEY ELEMENTARY
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

***RESOLUTION OF
FORT RILEY ELEMENTARY
APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS***

A RESOLUTION OF FORT RILEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

A RESOLUTION OF FORT RILEY ELMENTARY; SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children get an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the schools in Geary County, Kansas, have been, and are, a major factor in the economic, business, and social success of the citizens of Geary County, Kansas, and for Geary County and its citizens to maintain their competitive advantage and to enhance their economic, business, and social opportunities, adequate funding of the public school districts is essential;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

WHEREAS, without appropriate funding and support for public school districts and the military parents and children who they serve in Geary County, Kansas, the businesses and citizens of Geary County will suffer a significant reduction in the quality of life and extent of educational programs and services offered by such school districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY FORT RILEY ELEMENTARY, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY FORT RILEY ELEMENTARY:

1. Fort Riley Elementary of Unified School District No. 475 hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. Fort Riley Elementary of Unified School District No. 475 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of Site Council at Fort Riley Elementary, January 17, 2013.

**Fort Riley Elementary
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

By: Becky Lay
Name: Becky Lay, Principal
Title:

By: Melody Thielmann
Name: Melody Thielmann
Title: Site Council (Chairperson)
(417) 818-1606

By: Amanda Mountford
Name: Amanda Mountford
Title: Site Council Member
785-784-2356

By: Polly Gedney
Name: POLLY GEDNEY
Title: Site Council Member
785 317 3360

By: Sandy Law
Name: Sandy Law
Title: Site Council Member
785-717-3029

By: Melisa Burgess
Name: Melisa Burgess
Title: Site Council Member 785-564-1747

By: Jan Mataruso
Name: Jan Mataruso
Title: Site Council Member 785-375-8958

By: _____
Name:
Title: Site Council Member

By: _____
Name:
Title: Site Council Member

**RESOLUTION OF JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SITE COUNCIL,
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
Geary County USD 475 Jefferson Elementary School Site Council*

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SITE COUNCIL, UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

A RESOLUTION OF THE JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SITE COUNCIL, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children get an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the public school districts in Geary County, Kansas, have been, and are, a major factor in the economic, business, and social success of the citizens of Geary County, Kansas, and for Geary County and its citizens to maintain their competitive advantage and to enhance their economic, business, and social opportunities, adequate funding of the public school districts is essential;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

WHEREAS, without appropriate funding and support for public school districts and the military parents and children who they serve in Geary County, Kansas, the businesses and citizens of Geary County will suffer a significant reduction in the quality of life and extent of educational programs and services offered by such school districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE JEFFERSON SITE COUNCIL, UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SITE COUNCIL:

1. The Jefferson Site Council, Unified School District No. 475 hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. The Jefferson Elementary Site Council, Unified School District No. 475 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by the Jefferson Site Council at a scheduled meeting on January 15, 2013.

By: Vern Steffens
Name: Vern Steffens
Title: Principal, Jefferson Elementary School

By: Crystal Zimmerman
Name: Crystal Zimmerman
Title: Parent

By: Michelle Fernandez
Name: Michelle Fernandez
Title: Parent

By: Ashley Mead
Name: Ashley Mead
Title: Parent

By: Christiana Martin
Name: Christiana Martin
Title: Parent

By: Sheanean Graham
Name: Sheanean Graham
Title: Parent

By: Janelle McNeil
Name: Janelle McNeil
Title: Parent

By: Juliet Smith
Name: Juliet Smith
Title: Parent

**RESOLUTION OF
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
Geary County USD 475 Board of Education*

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

A RESOLUTION OF THE GEARY COUNTY USD 475 BOARD OF EDUCATION, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children get an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the public school districts in Geary County, Kansas, have been, and are, a major factor in the economic, business, and social success of the citizens of Geary County, Kansas, and for Geary County and its citizens to maintain their competitive advantage and to enhance their economic, business, and social opportunities, adequate funding of the public school districts is essential;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

WHEREAS, without appropriate funding and support for public school districts and the military parents and children who they serve in Geary County, Kansas, the businesses and citizens of Geary County will suffer a significant reduction in the quality of life and extent of educational programs and services offered by such school districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GEARY COUNTY USD 475 BOARD OF EDUCATION:

1. The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 475 hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 475 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education at a regular meeting of the Board on January 8, 2013.

**UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

By: Greg Lumb
Name: Greg Lumb
Title: Principal, Morris Hill Elementary

By: Angela Manis
Name: Angela Manis
Title: Site Council Member

By: Giselle Johns
Name: Giselle Johns
Title: Site Council Member

By: Robin Allen
Name: Robin Allen
Title: Site Council Member

By: Griselda Garza
Name: Griselda Garza
Title: Site Council Member

By: Sally Sharpe
Name: Sally Sharpe
Title: Site Council Member

Site Council Members 2012-2013

School: Morris Hill Elementary

Site Council Members:
Indicate Chairperson with an asterisk (*)



**Please indicate
if staff member/
parent or patron**

Name	Address	Daytime Phone	
Sally Sharp	610 Durinik, St Mary	785-717-7650	Music Teacher
Greg Lumb	502 Wheatland Dr,	785-717-4650	Principal
Robin Allen	27114 Dakota Dr, Ft Riley	785-717-4560	Head Secretary
Angela Manis	44727-1 Faulkenburg,	210-380-1752	Parent
Giselle Jones	44837-1 Lincoln St, Ft Riley	850-291-1812	Parent
Griselda Garza	44837-2 Lincoln St, Ft Riley	785-209-1505	Parent

**RESOLUTION OF
WARE SITE COUNCIL
GEARY COUNTY USD 475, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
WARE SITE COUNCIL*

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE WARE SITE COUNCIL OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

A RESOLUTION OF THE WARE SITE COUNCIL, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children get an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the public school districts in Geary County, Kansas, have been, and are, a major factor in the economic, business, and social success of the citizens of Geary County, Kansas, and for Geary County and its citizens to maintain their competitive advantage and to enhance their economic, business, and social opportunities, adequate funding of the public school districts is essential;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

WHEREAS, without appropriate funding and support for public school districts and the military parents and children who they serve in Geary County, Kansas, the businesses and citizens of Geary County will suffer a significant reduction in the quality of life and extent of educational programs and services offered by such school districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WARE SITE COUNCIL, SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WARE SITE COUNCIL:

1. The Ware Site Council hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. The Ware Site Council hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by the Ware Site Council at a regular meeting on January 8, 2013.

**WARE SITE COUNCIL
GEARY COUNTY USD 475
STATE OF KANSAS**

By: _____

Name: Alicia Scofield

Title: Site Council Chair

By: _____

Name: Jared Larson

Title: Site Council Co-Chair

**RESOLUTION OF
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 323
POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 323, POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children get an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 323, POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

1. The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 323 hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 323 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the

educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education at a regular meeting of the Board on January 9, 2013.

**UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 323,
POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY, STATE OF
KANSAS**



(Jon Srna, BOE President)

**RESOLUTION OF
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 207,
LEAVENWORTH COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 207, LEAVENWORTH COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OR RELOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children get an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 207, LEAVENWORTH COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

1. The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 207 hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of the "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 207 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the

educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education at a regular meeting of the Board on January 8, 2013.

**UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 207,
LEAVENWORTH COUNTY, STATE OF
KANSAS**

By: Myron J. Griswold
Name: MYRON J. GRISWOLD
Title: President, USD 207 BOE

By: Elizabeth M. Allred
Name: Elizabeth M. Allred
Title: Vice President USD 207 BOE

By: Melvin S. Jackson
Name: Melvin S. Jackson
Title: Board Member

Manhattan-Ogden USD 383
Manhattan, Kansas

RESOLUTION 1213-13

RENEWAL OF THE SECOND COUNT DATE FOR MILITARY STUDENTS

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 383, RILEY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF MILITARY-DEPENDENT STUDENTS IN KANSAS.

WHEREAS, the State of Kansas was the first state to sign the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children into law in 2008;

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children receive an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the State of Kansas has funded the second count date for military children since the 2005-06 school year;

WHEREAS, the continuation of the second count date should not require new or additional budget allocations;

WHEREAS, the economic impact of existing military installations is very important to the State of Kansas;

WHEREAS, the citizens of Kansas welcome and support the families and children who serve in the Armed Services of our country;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 383, Riley County, State of Kansas, that the Board hereby urges the Kansas Legislature to renew and extend the provisions of K.S.A. 72-6448 providing for the Enrollment of Military Pupils.

ADOPTED by the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 383, Riley County, Kansas on the 23rd day of January, 2013.



David Colburn
President, Manhattan-Ogden USD 383



Curt Herrman
Vice President, Manhattan-Ogden USD 383

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Member, Manhattan-Ogden USD 383

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Attest:

Helen M. Petrik

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Clerk, Board of Education

**RESOLUTION OF
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 417,
MORRIS COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
Morris County USD 417 Board of Education*

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 417, MORRIS COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children get an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the public school districts in Morris County, Kansas, have been, and are, a major factor in the economic, business, and social success of the citizens of Morris County, Kansas, and for Morris County and its citizens to maintain their competitive advantage and to enhance their economic, business, and social opportunities, adequate funding of the public school districts is essential;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 417, MORRIS COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

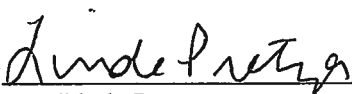
1. The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 417 hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

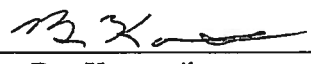
2. The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 417 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

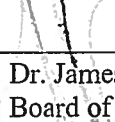
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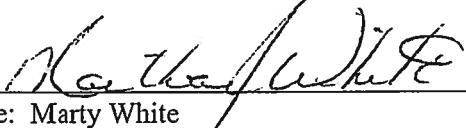
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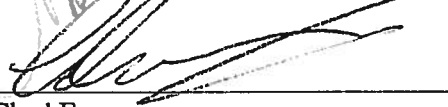
By: 
Name: Terry Powell
Title: Board of Education Vice President

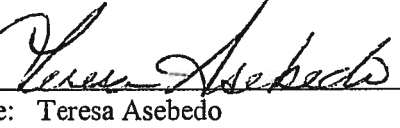
By: 
Name: Linda Pretzer
Title: Board of Education member

By: 
Name: Ben Kormanik
Title: Board of Education member

By: 
Name: Dr. James Reagan
Title: Board of Education member

By: 
Name: Marty White
Title: Board of Education President

By: 
Name: Chad Evans
Title: Board of Education

By: 
Name: Teresa Asebedo
Title: Board of Education member

**RESOLUTION OF
TWIN LAKES EDUCATIONAL COOPERATIVE
CLAY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
Twin Lakes Educational Cooperative Board of Directors*

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TWIN LAKES EDUCATIONAL COOPERATIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, REPRESENTING SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN CLAY, CLOUD, RILEY AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES OF KANSAS SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, ensuring that military children get an excellent education is a top priority for public school districts in the State of Kansas, as education is a stabilizing influence in the lives of children, as well as important to recruitment, retention and morale for our nation's armed forces;

WHEREAS, public school districts further recognize the importance of working and planning to make the transition easier for children when they move from one school to another because a military parent changes duty stations;

WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the public school districts in The Twin Lakes Educational Cooperative, have been, and are, a major factor in the economic, business, and social success of the citizens of The Twin Lakes Educational Cooperative catchment area, and for The Twin Lakes Educational Cooperative and its citizens to maintain their competitive advantage and to enhance their economic, business, and social opportunities, adequate funding of the public school districts is essential;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

WHEREAS, without appropriate funding and support for public school districts and the military parents and children who they serve in The Twin Lakes Educational Cooperative catchment area, the businesses and citizens of The Twin Lakes Educational Cooperative will suffer a significant reduction in the quality of life and extent of educational programs and services offered by such cooperative.

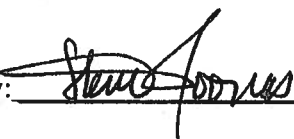
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TWIN LAKES EDUCATIONAL COOPERATIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

1. The Board of Directors of The Twin Lakes Educational Cooperative hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. The Board of Directors of The Twin Lakes Educational Cooperative hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors at a regular meeting of the Board on January 8, 2013.

**TWIN LAKES EDUCATIONAL
COOPERATIVE, CLAY COUNTY, STATE
OF KANSAS**

By:  _____

Name: Steve Joonas
Title: Director, Twin Lakes Educational
Cooperative

Name: Rick Simoncic
Title: Superintendent USD 223 Barnes, Linn,
Hanover

Name: Roger Perkins
Title: Superintendent, USD 334 Southern Cloud
Miltonvale, Glasco

Name: Brad Starnes
Title: Superintendent, USD 378 Riley County
Riley Schools

Name: Mike Folks
Title: Superintendent USD 379 Clay County

Name: Brady Burton
Title: Superintendent, USD 384 Randolph,
Olsburg

**RESOLUTION OF
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**

*RESOLUTION OF
Fort Riley Middle School Site School Site Council*

**APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF
OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE FORT RILEY MIDDLE SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

A RESOLUTION OF THE FORT RILEY MIDDLE SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL, SUPPORTING ADEQUATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE EDUCATION OF OUR NATION'S MILITARY DEPENDENTS, AND OPPOSING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULAS THAT REDUCE FUNDING IN THE EVENT MILITARY PARENTS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT.

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WHEREAS, public school districts must plan and budget for, well in advance, educational programs, teachers, and support personnel necessary for the education of children, including military dependents as they transition between schools;

WHEREAS, the public school districts in Geary County, Kansas, have been, and are, a major factor in the economic, business, and social success of the citizens of Geary County, Kansas, and for Geary County and its citizens to maintain their competitive advantage and to enhance their economic, business, and social opportunities, adequate funding of the public school districts is essential;

WHEREAS, the Kansas Legislature is considering certain amendments to the Kansas public school funding formulas, including but not limited to those expressed in House Bill No. 2439 (2012), which would require public school districts to reduce their budgets mid-way through an academic year should the children of military parents be required to transition to other schools as a result of military deployments or other relocations;

WHEREAS, such requirements would prevent public school districts from properly planning for and maintaining those educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents.

WHEREAS, without appropriate funding and support for public school districts and the military parents and children who they serve in Geary County, Kansas, the businesses and citizens of Geary County will suffer a significant reduction in the quality of life and extent of educational programs and services offered by such school districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SITE COUNCIL OF FORT RILEY MIDDLE SCHOOL OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475, GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FORT RILEY MIDDLE SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL:

1. The Fort Riley Middle School Site Council of Unified School District No. 475 hereby opposes any amendments to the Kansas school funding formulas, including but not limited to K.S.A. 72-6448, that would require Kansas public school districts to reduce its already-adopted annual budgets as a result of any so-called "military second count," or that would require or allow the State or any agency thereof to re-compute and decrease or adjust downward the general fund budget of the school district based on any reduction in the school districts' adjusted enrollments arising from the transition out of such school districts of military pupils or the dependents of military parents.

2. The Fort Riley Middle School Site Council of Unified School District No. 475 hereby further calls on elected representatives to recognize the need for consistency, reliability, and certainty in the budgeting, planning for, and maintaining educational programs, teachers, and support personnel vital for the educational stability of children, including military dependents, and to refrain from continual amendments or revisions to school funding formulas that would cause school districts to reduce services to military dependents based on unknown and ever-changing conditions and reductions.

This Resolution was adopted by the Fort Riley Middle School Site Council at a regular meeting of the Site Council on January 16, 2013.

**UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 475,
GEARY COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS**


By: 
Name: Tekeshia Bloomfield
Title: FRMS Site Council Member

By: 
Name: Buz Bruzina
Title: FRMS Site Council Member

By: 
Name: Alison Errington
Title: FRMS Site Council Member

By: 
Name: Sue Ollar
Title: FRMS Site Council Member

By: 
Name: Rosa Outing
Title: FRMS Site Council Member

By: 
Name: Kenneth Roth, Jr.
Title: FRMS Site Council Member

By: 
Name: Madeline Roth
Title: FRMS Site Council Member