

**Arcadia Unified School District
Resolution No. 1211
Board Resolution in Opposition to Governor Schwarzenegger's Proposed Budget**

- Whereas* despite Governor Schwarzenegger's vow to protect education, his proposed budget manipulates the numbers to reduce education funding by \$900 million in the current year and an additional \$2.4 billion in 2010-11; and
- Whereas* California's education system plays a vital role in the state's economic future and schools are now in a crisis bigger than any ever seen-one that the governor and legislators must take more seriously; and
- Whereas* these unprecedented cuts are changing the face of education for an entire generation of school children; and
- Whereas* California's educational programs have been cut to the bone, in some cases down to the marrow, and as a result schools have been forced to eliminate summer school, libraries, transportation, athletics, technology, agriculture, Regional Occupational Programs (ROP) and General Education Development (GED); and
- Whereas* the educational programs being cut are the very programs that help our students succeed in school and compete in the workforce; and
- Whereas* administrative costs have taken the biggest hit in most districts and yet the governor's budget proposal recommends that 10 percent be cut from school district and county office of education administrative costs; and
- Whereas* district administrative provides important functions that have a direct impact on what happens in the classroom and currently California's schools rank among the lowest in the nation in the number of district administrators per student; and
- Whereas* Governor Schwarzenegger's January 2010 budget proposal, if implemented, will result in more than \$4,000,000 in additional reductions to the Arcadia Unified School District budgets; and
- Whereas* schools simply can't continue to absorb these cuts on top of the \$17 billion in reductions they've endured over the past two years; and

Now Therefore Be It Resolved

that the Arcadia Unified School District opposes further cuts to education funding and urges the legislature to take responsibility for California's future by making education a priority.

Adopted This 9th day of March, 2010, by the Board of Education of the Arcadia Unified School District of Los Angeles County, California.

Signed by all Arcadia Board of Education members:

Cung Nguyen, President, Lori Phillipi, Vice President, Janet Chew, Clerk, Maryann Gibson, Member, and Joann E. Steinmeier, Member