

**ROSEMEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
Rosemead, California

**RESOLUTION NO. 20-21/16,  
EXPRESSING A VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY GEORGE GASCON**

**WHEREAS**, the Rosemead School District values and places the highest priority on safety, protection, and well-being of its students and staff; and

**WHEREAS**, the Rosemead School District Board of Trustees has a history of supporting policies that prevent and reduce criminal activity on school campuses; and

**WHEREAS**, Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon unilaterally issued a series of Special Directives in December 2020, including Special Directives 20-06, 20-07, and 20-08; and

**WHEREAS**, *Special Directive 20-06, Pretrial Release Policy* which eliminates cash bail for any misdemeanor, non-serious felony, or non-violent felony offense; and

**WHEREAS**, *Special Directive 20-07, Misdemeanor Case Management* which generally requires the declination or dismissal of many misdemeanor charges before arraignment and without conditions unless exceptions or factors for consideration exist, including trespassing, disturbing the peace, driving without a valid license, driving on a suspended license, criminal threats, drug and paraphernalia possession, minor in possession of alcohol, drinking in public, under the influence of controlled substance, public intoxication, loitering, loitering to commit prosecution, and resisting arrest; and

**WHEREAS**, *Special Directive 20-08, Sentencing Enhancements/Allegations* which eliminates several sentence enhancements, including the "3 year prior" enhancements, Three Strikes Law, STEP Act enhancements ("gang enhancements"), prior-strike enhancements (Penal Code §186.22 et. Seq.), violations of bail, and firearm allegations, will not be used for sentencing and shall be dismissed or withdrawn from the charging document; and

**WHEREAS**, some of the Special Directives issued by Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon contradict state laws, which were enacted through the legislative or ballot initiative process to prevent and prosecute crime and protect the general public, particularly the most vulnerable populations that include children; and

**WHEREAS**, the Special Directives listed in this Resolution undermine the legislative and ballot initiative process and risk the safety of the general public, including the population of students and staff of the Rosemead School District; and

**WHEREAS**, policies that aim to restructure or amend prosecutorial directives need to be consistent with state law and issued with reasonable intent and priority to enhance public safety and protect the general public and victims' rights.

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**June 17, 2021**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rosemead School District Board of Trustees hereby resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. The Rosemead School District affirms a vote of no confidence in Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon and hereby directs staff to transmit said Resolution to applicable and interested offices and organizations.

SECTION 2. The Rosemead School District insists that the Los Angeles County District Attorney uphold the laws of the State, whether established by the State Legislature or voters of the State, and that no Special Directives be issued that contradict these laws.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED**, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021 by the Board of Trustees of the Rosemead School District.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes 5


Nays 0


Abstain 0

Absent 0

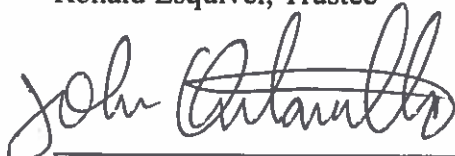
**Board of Trustees of the Rosemead School District  
of Los Angeles County, State of California**

  
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**CERTIFICATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

I, Diane Benitez, President of the Board of Trustees of the Rosemead School District, do certify that the foregoing Resolution was regularly introduced, passed, and adopted by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021, in the State of California, County of Los Angeles.

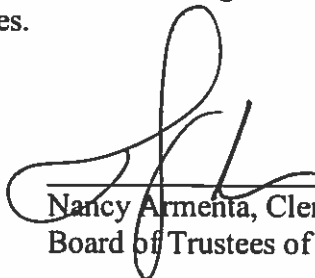


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Diane Benitez, President  
Board of Trustees of the Rosemead School District

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**CERTIFICATION OF THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

I, Nancy Armenta, Clerk (or Secretary to the Board) of the Board of Trustees of the Rosemead School District, do certify that the foregoing Resolution was regularly introduced, passed, and adopted by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021, in the State of California, County of Los Angeles.



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Nancy Armenta, Clerk (or Secretary to the Board)  
Board of Trustees of the Rosemead School District