

1 [Supporting California State Proposition 58 - Multilingual Education Act]

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3 **Resolution supporting the California Multilingual Education Act, Proposition 58, for**  
4 **effective language acquisition programs ensuring all pupils become English proficient**  
5 **and encouraging all students, including English speaking students, to learn a second**  
6 **language.**

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8 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco believes that a world class, 21<sup>st</sup>  
9 Century education must provide every student with the highest quality education, including  
10 effective language acquisition programs ensuring all pupils become English proficient and  
11 encouraging all students, including English speaking students, to learn a second language;  
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13 WHEREAS, California employers across all sectors, both public and private, are  
14 actively recruiting multilingual employees because of their ability to forge stronger bonds with  
15 customers, clients, and business partners; and

16 WHEREAS, All California school children have the right to an equal opportunity to  
17 advance and excel in all subjects, including the opportunity to develop fluency and literacy in  
18 the English language; and

19 WHEREAS, Passage of Proposition 58 will provide all School District stakeholders with  
20 more flexibility and greater choices concerning the education of all students and greater  
21 opportunity for all students to access innovative language programs; and

22 WHEREAS, Proposition 58 was placed on the November 8, 2016, general election  
23 ballot as a result of bipartisan action by the Legislature; and

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1           WHEREAS, Proposition 58 gives school districts greater local control in devising  
2 programs for their students to improve their mastery of English as well as of one or more  
3 languages in addition to English; and

4           WHEREAS, Proposition 58 is consistent with our dedication to improving student  
5 outcomes and our policy to produce graduates with skills which prepare them for college and  
6 career in our 21st century global economy; now, therefore, be it

7           RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors endorses and supports the  
8 passage of Proposition 58 on the November 8, 2016, General Election Ballot.

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