

1 **[Support Proposition 47]**

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3 **Resolution supporting Proposition 47, the Kindergarten-University Public Education**  
4 **Facilities Bond Act of 2002.**

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6 WHEREAS, Proposition 47 -- the Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities  
7 Bond Act of 2002 – provides \$13 billion in bonds to relieve overcrowding, make safety repairs  
8 and upgrade California’s elementary, middle and high schools, community colleges and  
9 universities; and

10 WHEREAS, California’s independent Legislative Analyst reports “About one in three  
11 California school children attends an overcrowded school or a school needing modernization;”  
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13 WHEREAS, Proposition 47 is needed to build new classroom for the nearly one million  
14 new students entering our state’s already overcrowded schools. According to the state  
15 Department of Education we’ll need more than 13,000 new classrooms or 331 new schools to  
16 reduce overcrowding and keep class sizes small; and

17 WHEREAS, Proposition 47 ensures every critically overcrowded school district is  
18 eligible for its fair share of funds to build new classrooms; and

19 WHEREAS, Many older schools are in dire need of repair and upgrading, and Prop 47  
20 is needed to fix leaky roofs, repair broken bathrooms, upgrade inadequate electrical and fire  
21 alarm systems, install heaters and air conditioning, improve earthquake safety and upgrade  
22 college laboratories and research facilities, and wire classrooms for the technology and  
23 computers our kids need to meet academic standards and compete in the modern workforce;  
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1           WHEREAS, Proposition 47 provides matching funds to school districts that have  
2 already or will pass local school construction bond measures; and

3           WHEREAS, The California Taxpayers' Association supports Prop. 47 because funds  
4 must be spent on school construction, not on bureaucracy or wasteful overhead, and the  
5 projects must comply with strict accountability requirements, including mandatory audits, to  
6 safeguard and against waste and mismanagement; and

7           WHEREAS, Prop. 47 is supported by a large and diverse coalition, including the  
8 California State PTA, California Teachers Association, California Taxpayers' Association,  
9 California Chamber of Commerce, League of Women Voters of California, Californians for  
10 Higher Education, California Building Industry Association, California Business Roundtable  
11 and local teachers across the state; now, therefore, be it

12           RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the City and County supports Proposition 47,  
13 the Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2002.

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