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WHEREAS, the 79th Legislature in its 3rd Called Special Session addressed the Texas Supreme Court's mandate to resolve the school funding lawsuit; and

WHEREAS, the 79th Legislature in its 3rd Called Special Session through the passing of House Bill #1 provided homeowners and other property owners with a local school property tax rate reduction of 33%; and

WHEREAS, THE 79TH Legislature in its 3rd Called Special Session through the passing of House Bill #2 provided that all tax revenues generated from HB 3, HB 4 and HB 5 are dedicated to the Property Tax Relief Fund and appropriations from this fund can only be used to reduce school property tax rates; and

WHEREAS, our public schools are still required to implement "unfunded mandates" from the state and federal governments; and

WHEREAS, our public schools are in a period of rapid growth that continually stretches their budget to meet facility requirements; and

WHEREAS, there are no current provisions to cover increased costs to local school districts for inflation; and

WHEREAS, we continue to support the local school districts of Texas as the educators of the children of the communities we serve; and

WHEREAS, we believe a more comprehensive review of all aspects of public school financing must be addressed immediately.

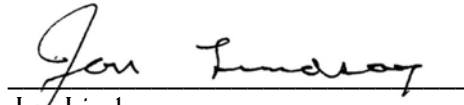
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the North Houston Association that the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas is hereby strongly urged to review state laws governing public school finance and to provide the necessary funds to local public school districts to cover all state and federal education mandates and to provide increased funding to fast growth school districts to meet facility requirements through the Instructional Facilities Allotment (IFA) and Existing Debt Allotment (EDA). Additionally, the Legislature should also index the Weighted Average Daily Attendance (WADA) to inflation. Additionally, the Legislature should

seriously consider possible alternative forms of funding new schools as a direct result of new housing developments in school districts.

Adopted this 18th day of November, 2008.



Roy Hearnberger
Chairman of the Board



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