



Town of Zionsville Proclamation

SUPPORTING THE ZIONSVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS IN ITS EFFORTS TO PASS A SCHOOL OPERATING REFERENDUM AND ZIONSVILLE FACILITIES REFERENDUM

Whereas, the future of the Town of Zionsville is inextricably linked to the quality of Zionsville Community Schools; and

Whereas, Zionsville Community Schools remains the lowest funded school district in Indiana, receiving the lowest per student funding; and

Whereas, Zionsville Community Schools seeks to continue to provide excellent academic outcomes for students, and our community; and

Whereas, 200 new students are projected annually over the next decade requiring more classroom space and teachers; and

Whereas, the Facilities Referendum will provide bonding authority to build a new elementary school, expand and modify the high school, and allow improvements to all other schools; and,

Whereas, the loss of referendum funds would result in the loss of up to 1/3 of all teachers (which are paid for with referendum dollars) leading to greatly increased class sizes at all levels; and

Whereas, smaller class sizes are proven to enhance student achievement; and

Whereas, continuing the current Operations Referendum rate for an additional eight years provides financial stability to recruit and retain the best teachers, provides student and community stability and provides stability for home values; and

Whereas, the rate of the referendum cannot be increased, but can be decreased if funding conditions improve; and

Whereas, among the many benefits to the Town of Zionsville provided by maintaining excellence in Zionsville Community Schools include the continuation of strong property/home values for all citizens and a thriving environment for our businesses as Zionsville continues to be one of the most desirable places to live for all the right reasons;

NOW, THEREFORE,

The Zionsville Town Council endorses efforts by the Zionsville Community Schools to pass both the school Operations Referendum and the Zionsville Facilities Referendum and pledges its support to this community endeavor.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____ 2019, by the Town Council of the Town of Zionsville, Boone County, Indiana, having been passed by a vote of _____ in favor and _____ opposed.

TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ZIONSVILLE, BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA

	YEA Signature	NAY Signature
Joshua Garrett, President		
Bryan Traylor, Vice-President		
Susana Suarez,		
Elizabeth Hopper,		
Thomas Schuler,		
Kevin Spees, Member		
Jason Plunkett, Member		

ATTEST: _____
Amelia A. Lacy, Director, Department of
Finance and Records