

**RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO PROPOSITION 119:  
LEARNING ENRICHMENT AND ACADEMIC PROGRESS PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 119 is a citizen-referred measure on Colorado's 2021 election ballot that seeks to create a new program that would provide out-of-school educational services; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 119 would create a new state agency, the Colorado Learning Authority, with no oversight from the State Board of Education and the Colorado Department of Education, to administer program funds sourced from new taxes on the sale of retail marijuana and appropriations from the State Land Trust and the General Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2009, the Colorado General Assembly has tracked the debt owed to Colorado students resulting from the non-payment of funds approved by Colorado voters under Amendment 23 to the Colorado Constitution; and

**WHEREAS**, the resulting Budget Stabilization Factor (BSF) now stands at a cumulative \$9.8 billion and, for the 2021-22 school year alone, Colorado students will not benefit from more than \$572 million for their education that voters intended them to have; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board believes that public money should be invested directly in public schools, to keep the funds under local control and allow school districts to provide additional learning and enrichment opportunities for students, instead of directed to private out-of-school service providers.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Adams 12 Board of Education officially declares its opposition to Proposition 119 for the above-stated reasons.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board authorizes the expenditure of District funds to distribute a factual summary regarding Proposition 119, in accordance with the Fair Campaign Practices Act, C.R.S. 1-45-117.

**Approved and adopted by the Board of Education at its regular meeting of October 6, 2021.**