

**Subject:** Resolution No.  
**Supporting Access to the Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps for  
San Francisco Unified School District Students**  
- Commissioners Jill Wynn and Rachel Norton

**WHEREAS:** California Education Code section 35160 states that the Board may initiate and carry on any program, activity, or may otherwise act in any manner which is not in conflict with or inconsistent with, or preempted by, any law and which is not in conflict with the purposes for which school districts are established; and

**WHEREAS:** California Education Code section 35160.1 constitutes a legislative finding that school districts have diverse needs unique to their individual communities and programs, that school districts should have the flexibility to create their own unique solutions, that in enacting Education Code section 35160 the Legislature intended to give school districts broad authority, and that Education Code section 35160 should be liberally construed to effect this objective; and

**WHEREAS:** The Board voted in 2007 and in 2008 to phase out and then to extend the JROTC program until the end of the 2008-09 academic year, and in June of 2008 voted to not give PE credit for the 2008-09 academic year, and

**WHEREAS:** San Francisco voters in the November 2008 election, passed by a margin of more than 55%, Proposition V, an advisory measure supporting access to the JROTC program for SFUSD students.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education of the San Francisco Unified School District requests that the Superintendent instruct the seven SFUSD high schools that currently have JROTC programs to include JROTC in the 2009-2010 programs at their schools and to offer the option of JROTC to all students for the 2009-2010 school year and beyond.

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