## Seattle School District #1 Board Resolution



## Resolution No. 2016/17-13

**A RESOLUTION** of the Board of Directors of Seattle School District No. 1, King County, Seattle, Washington, urging the Washington State Legislature to take immediate action to provide full funding for basic education.

WHEREAS, Washington's Constitution says that ample funding for education is the State's only paramount duty; and

WHEREAS, Washington is 43rd in the nation in state funding for K-12 education; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Legislature defined basic education in 2009 and 2010; and

WHEREAS, in 2012 the Washington Supreme Court found the State to have failed in their constitutional obligations to fully fund basic education, including steady and consistent progress to fully fund compensation obligations; and

WHEREAS, the State has reduced districts' school levies by approximately \$500M but without fully funding education;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Seattle School Board calls for immediate action by the Legislature to do no harm by fully funding state obligations to provide ample and equitable education for all students and allow school districts to utilize levies for local needs.

ADOPTED this 1st day of March, 2017.

Sue Peters, President

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Secretary, Board of Directors Seattle School District No. 1

King County, WA

ATTEST: