



TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

County Courthouse, Room 101 / Woodville, Texas

Wednesday, April 11, 2018

Martin Nash
Commissioner, Pct. 1

Rusty Hughes
Commissioner, Pct. 2

Jacques L. Blanchette
County Judge

Mike Marshall
Commissioner, Pct. 3

Jack Walston
Commissioner, Pct. 4

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF TYLER

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RESOLUTION

School Funding

WHEREAS, the State of Texas is constitutionally obligated to fund public education within the state; and

WHEREAS, the Texas public education system is primarily funded by a combination of Federal, State, and local tax dollars; and

WHEREAS, by formula, the State's share of public education funding has been significantly reduced over the past eight years; and

WHEREAS, due to the State share of publication being reduced, it has significantly increased the local school tax levy on taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, approximately 54% of the annual property tax levy is attributed to public education; and

WHEREAS, the State could have enabled local ISDs to reduce the local tax burden across the State by \$17 billion had it been an equal partner with local school districts between Fiscal Years 2016-2019, which would have resulted in an average reduction of %15 per year;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that to reduce the tax burden on the local Texas taxpayers, the State of Texas should renew its commitment to school funding by once again becoming at least an equal partner in the funding of the operations and maintenance cost for our public schools.

Martin Nash, Commissioner Pct. 1

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Attest: _____
Donece Gregory, County Clerk