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January 19, 2017

Mendocino County School Districts and County Office of Education

Re:

Notice of Possible Action Regarding Request from the Willits Unified School District to Consolidate the District's Election with the November General Election in Even-Numbered Years

To Whom It May Concern:

On December 12, 2016, the County Executive Office received correspondence from the Willits Unified School District (WUSD) announcing to the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors its desire to consolidate the WUSD election cycle with that of the November General Election in even-numbered years. Pursuant to California Elections Code section 10404.5, the WUSD Governing Board passed and adopted Resolution No. 2016/17-8 requesting the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors approve the consolidation.

This letter is to serve as notice that the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors will have an item on their February 7, 2017 meeting agenda to consider approval of WUSD's request. Please provide input to the Mendocino County Clerk of the Board by February 1, 2017 as to the effect this consolidation may have on your respective district. Correspondence can be mailed to the Clerk of the Board c/o the Executive Office, 501 Low Gap Road, Room 1010, Ukiah, CA 95482, or emailed to cob@co.mendocino.ca.us.

Please call (707) 463-4441 with any questions.

Nicole French,

Deputy Clerk of the Board H

Enclosure: WUSD Resolution No. 2016/17-8

cc:

Board of Supervisors

Ms. Carmel J. Angelo, Chief Executive Officer

Ms. Katharine Elliott, County Counsel

Ms. Sue Ranochak, Assessor-Clerk-Recorder

## Willits Unified School District Resolution No. 2016/17-8

Change of Election Day of the Governing Board and Requesting the Board of Supervisors for the County of Mendocino to Authorize Consolidation with the November Election During Even-Numbered Years

WHEREAS, §§ 1302, subd. (b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits the Willits Unified School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Willits Unified School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302, subd. (b) and 10404.5, the Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.
- Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.
- Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in the Willits Unified School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.
- Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302, subd. (b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 7th day of December 2016 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Willits Unified School District.

WILLITS UNIFIED SCHOOL
DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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