## RESOLUTION NO. 202324-7 RESOLUTION FOR SUPPLEMENTAL PLAN FOR APPROVAL OF TRANSPORTATION COSTS

**WHEREAS** all children between the ages of 6 and 18 years who have not completed the 12th grade, and all students aged 5 and above who are enrolled in grades kindergarten or above are required to regularly attend a public full-time school during the entire school term as outlined in ORS 339.010; and

**WHEREAS** a school district is required to provide transportation for elementary students who reside more than 1.0 mile from school and for secondary school students who reside more than 1.5 miles from school, as well as provide transportation for any student identified in a supplemental plan approved by the School Board and the State Board of Education as outlined in ORS 327.043; and

**WHEREAS** a wide body of research demonstrate that students who regularly attend school achieve greater rates of academic success and graduation rates; and

**WHEREAS** students, especially those from historically underserved populations, including students who are recent arrivers and refugees, students experiencing houselessness, students who are placed in foster care, students supported with a 504 or Individual Education Plan, and students with other substantial barriers to school transportation, generally attend school at rates lower than their peers; and

**WHEREAS** students, especially those from historically underserved populations, who live within the 1.0or 1.5-mile limit of the assigned school may require transportation services as determined by a team of educators as part of an education support team or by state and federal statute; and

**WHEREAS** students residing less than the prescribed transportation eligibility distances are confronted by hazardous walking conditions between home and school in the areas indicated on the attached; and

**WHEREAS** students residing less than the prescribed transportation eligibility distances are occasionally confronted by poor pedestrian infrastructure, construction, weather events, and other events beyond the district's control;

**IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of Salem-Keizer Public Schools shall include the aforementioned groups of students in a supplemental transportation plan for submission to the Oregon State Board of Education.

Karina Guzmán Ortiz, Chairperson, Board of Directors Salem-Keizer Public Schools

<u>May 7, 2024</u> Date