

**DUQUESNE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
RECEIVER, ACTING AS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE A SAFE AND SECURE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the safety of students and staff is a priority of the Duquesne City School District. The District strives to provide safe and secure learning environments which are necessary for academic achievement and emotional well-being; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania laws prohibit firearms, knives, and deadly weapons of any kind on public school property and gives the District the authority to develop and apply stringent regulations and procedures to keep our schools safe and secure; and

WHEREAS, the Duquesne City School District Board of School Directors supports efforts to create safer, more peaceful schools that are free from the destructive influence of violence; and

WHEREAS, the horrific tragedy at Robb Elementary School, Uvalde, Texas, has generated a national conversation on gun violence and has caused significant anxiety among parents, teachers, and students; and

WHEREAS, the Duquesne City School District is committed to preparing students to be active citizens in our democracy and to value human life.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the **DUQUESNE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT** Board of School Directors extends sincere condolences to the students, staff, families, and the community of Uvalde, Texas, on the deaths of their students and staff.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of School Directors urges national and state policymakers to pass legislation intended to reduce gun violence and protect our students and staff.

NOW, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the **DUQUESNE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT** Board of School Directors directs the Superintendent of Schools, the Coordinator of School Safety and Security, and the Administration to review, update, and evaluate on a continuous bases the District's safety and security preparedness, emergency operation plans, the Pennsylvania State Police Risk and Vulnerability Assessment Team recommendations, and provide a comprehensive report to the Board of School Directors outlining short and long-term recommendations for appropriate enhancements no later than August 9, 2022, during Executive Session, prior to the public Receiver Business Meeting.

HEREBY adopted this 14th day of June, 2022.

ATTEST:

DUQUESNE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Signature on File
Board Secretary

Signature on File
Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors