

**STEAMBOAT SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2**  
**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10-01**

**A RESOLUTION**  
**OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**OF THE STEAMBOAT SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2**  
**IN OPPOSITION OF AMENDMENT 80**

**WHEREAS**, Colorado has a longstanding commitment to school choice, beginning with the Public Schools of Choice Act of 1990 and the Charter Schools Act of 1993; and

**WHEREAS**, state law consistently provides residents with a range of educational options, including public, charter, and open-enrollment schools; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board recognizes that Amendment 80, “School Choice in K-12 Education “ seeks to amend the Colorado Constitution to create a constitutionally protected right to school choice for K-12 students and their parents; and

**WHEREAS**, Amendment 80 potentially creates a pathway for public funds to be redirected to private institutions through vouchers, Education Savings Accounts, or other programs, thereby threatening the financial stability and sustainability of Colorado's public schools; and

**WHEREAS**, the inclusion of private education in Amendment 80 could divert public funds to private institutions, undermining the public schools; and

**WHEREAS**, Amendment 80 does not clearly define the rights of parents and students or how those rights will intersect with the district’s legal responsibilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the long-term impact of Amendment 80 remains uncertain, as its effects will depend on subsequent legislation and judicial interpretations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board believes the existing school choice framework already provides ample educational opportunities that enable parents to choose an education program that meets their diverse needs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board strongly advocates for adequate funding for public education in Colorado; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board is in support of school choice, and is opposed to public dollars going to private institutions; and

**WHEREAS**, several education advocacy organizations have publicly opposed Amendment 80, citing concerns about its potentially harmful impact on Colorado’s public schools; and

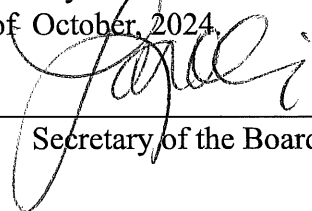
**WHEREAS**, the Board declares that Amendment 80 poses a significant risk to the funding and health of Colorado's public education system.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Steamboat Springs School District Board of Education officially declares its opposition to Amendment 80, and believes this stance is in the best interest of public education

DATED and APPROVED as of this 7 day of October, 2024.

  
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President, Board of Education

The undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Steamboat Springs School District, RE-2, does hereby certify that the above and foregoing Resolution No. 2024-10-01 , was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Steamboat Springs School District, RE-2 on the 7 day of October, 2024.

  
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Secretary of the Board of Education