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A Resolution of the Mapleton Public Schools Board of Education in Support of Statewide Ballot Initiative NN to Enable Additional K-12 Funding in Colorado

WHEREAS, Colorado ranks below average in per-pupil funding, spending an average of $1,600 less per pupil than the national average;

WHEREAS, Colorado's average starting teacher salary is 41st in the nation, where Colorado's cost of living is among the highest;

WHEREAS, approximately 2,000 school buildings across Colorado are in need of capital improvements and $20 billion is necessary to address current facility needs to ensure safe, secure, modern learning environments for every student;

WHEREAS, two recent adequacy studies show that Colorado students need an additional $4 billion to reach per-pupil funding adequacy levels;

WHEREAS, local district budgets, including Mapleton's, remain strained due to continued state funding decreases to K-12 education and the unique constitutional and statutory limits in place on the Colorado budget;

WHEREAS, the passage of statewide Ballot Initiative NN in November 2026 would enable additional funding for K-12 education, specifically helping Colorado school districts in their efforts to:

- Close the per-pupil funding gap
- Ensure reasonable class sizes
- Recruit and retain high-quality educators
- Invest in career and technical education

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of Mapleton Public Schools formally endorses Proposition NN as a November 2026 statewide ballot initiative to enable additional funding for K-12 education in Colorado.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board commits to ongoing public support for educating the community and voters about the purpose, benefits, costs, and accountability of Proposition NN.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board directs the Superintendent to share this resolution with stakeholders and the broader community to raise awareness of the importance of sustainable and adequate funding for public education.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2026.

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Authorized Signature	Witness
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