## MOTIONS/RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED TO THE LOS ANGELES CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR CONSIDERATION

SUBJECT: Opposition to Proposed Power Distribution Station Near Marquez Charter School

<b>DATE NOTICED:</b> 04-16-13, 9am	PRESENTED FOR ACTION: 05-14-13
PRESENTED BY: Mr. Zimmer	MOVED/SECONDED BY: Ms. Martinez/ Dr. Vladovic

## **MOTION:**

## **RESOLUTION:** x

Whereas, In February 2012, the Los Angeles Unified School District was notified by the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (DWP) that they propose to construct a power distribution station within the community of Pacific Palisades;

Whereas, The DWP is considering a site immediately adjoining Marquez Charter School to locate their new power distribution station;

Whereas, There are numerous reports of safety and health concerns including the risk of explosion, fire and potential exposures to electromagnetic fields (EMFs) associated with the operation of power distribution stations;

Whereas, Staff and the parents of students attending Marquez Charter School have expressed overwhelming concern by the prospect of locating a power distribution station next to their school; and

Whereas, At the request of Steve Zimmer, School Board Member, Ronald Nichols, DWP General Manager, and Bill Rosendahl, Los Angeles Council Member, a task force was convened whose membership, comprised of community members, identified several alternative sites for locating the power distribution station; now, therefore, be it

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District recognize the efforts of the community task force and support the position to find a different site;

<u>Resolved</u> further, That the Board opposes any proposal by DWP to construct a new power distribution station adjacent to Marquez Charter School no matter how slight or debatable the safety and health risks may be; and, be it finally

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Board directs staff to employ whatever legal means available to oppose any proposed environmental certification or issuance of a permit to operate associated with the siting of a power distribution station near Marquez Charter School.

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Ms. Galatzan	X		
Mr. Kayser	X		
Ms. LaMotte	X		
Ms. Martinez	X		
Dr. Vladovic	X		
Mr. Zimmer	X		
Ms. Garcia	X		
TOTAL	7		

<u>AYES</u> <u>NOES</u> <u>ABSTAIN</u> <u>ABSENT</u>

**ACTION: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE**