



## *League of United Latin American Citizens*

### **Resolution Supporting "Community School" Concept for Billy Earl Dade Middle School, Dallas ISD**

**WHEREAS**, many of the children of Dallas Independent School District face challenges that extend far beyond the academic realm that include, but are not limited to, economic disadvantages, unstable family lives, limited English proficiency, high rates of mobility, and cultural and racial barriers, and

**WHEREAS**, it is the responsibility of DISD to give every child a chance to meet their full potential at a neighborhood school regardless of these challenges, and

**WHEREAS**, it is proven that a campus with a comprehensive system of integrated student services known as a community school, that ameliorate the physical, psychological, and emotional barriers to learning; can dramatically enhance student performance at once struggling schools, and

**WHEREAS**, Billy Earl Dade Middle School of Dallas Independent School District is a campus that most recently has been immersed in issues, ranging from heightened disciplinary problems, to rapid turnover of faculty, to even teachers leaving the school in protest, and

**WHEREAS**, Billy Earl Dade Middle School is home to predominantly African-American and Latino children of low socioeconomic status families who could stand to greatly benefit from implementation of the community schools model, and

**WHEREAS**, the Our Community, Our Schools (OCOS) Coalition of Dallas sees the value and opportunity in transforming this school into a high-performing community school that our city can be proud of.

**LET IT BE RESOLVED**, that LULAC District III, officially supports Our Community, Our Schools (OCOS), in its efforts to implement the transformation of Billy Earl Dade Middle School into a "Community School" that will deliver an effective, results-oriented curriculum, that will enhance student learning so every child can reach their full-potential..

Voted and approved by the delegates at the 2015 National LULAC Convention on July 11, 2015.

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