



## *League of United Latin American Citizens*

### **RESOLUTION FOR EDUCATION EQUITY**

**WHEREAS**, Hispanics are the fastest growing population in the United States and charter schools have become a rapidly growing part of the education system across our nation, targeting low-income communities of color, and

**WHEREAS**, Charter schools with privately appointed boards do not represent the public and yet make decisions about how public funds are spent; and

**WHEREAS**, Charter schools have contributed to the increased segregation rather than the diverse integration of our public school system, and

**WHEREAS**, research and reports show that Hispanics, Children with Special Needs, Students with behavioral issues, English Language Learners, and children of color are disproportionately enrolled and at times sent back to their home public schools,

**WHEREAS**, analysis of tax payer money cannot be transparent or accounted for,

**WHEREAS**, researchers have concluded and warned that the charter school expansions in our low-income communities mirror predatory lending practices that do not provide all students with educational equity,

**WHEREAS**, weak oversight of charter schools puts students, schools, and communities at risk of harm, public funds being wasted or not allocated while further eroding local control and the defunding of our public schools.

***THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*** that LULAC strongly advocates for immediate, overreaching improvements, to the existing public education systems, and rejects the defunding of public schools as a means to fund new charter schools, instead focusing attention on funding, policy advocacy, and the improvement of existing low performing public schools, and working at the local , state, and federal levels to ensure that all public schools are provided with the necessary funding, support, programs, and autonomy necessary to educate all students while urging all of its units to work to support public education throughout out the states and the nation to educate all children to their highest potential and focus on education equity for all students.

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