

**BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 16-054**

**TO ESTABLISH THE 2016-17 TAX RATE FOR THE “BERKELEY SCHOOLS
EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE ACT OF 2006”
(Measure A of 2006)**

WHEREAS, in November 2006, the voters of the City of Berkeley adopted legislation, "Berkeley Public Schools Educational Excellence Act of 2006" (Measure A of 2006) which levies a special tax for particular uses by the Berkeley Unified School District, namely, reducing class sizes, maintaining school libraries and music programs, providing professional development, educational program evaluation, technology, public information and parent outreach, and diverse academic programs at each school; and

WHEREAS, Article 4C of the Act states:

Each year, commencing with the 2007-08 tax year. . . the rates imposed by this Special Tax may be increased by a cost-of-living adjustment equal to the annual percentage increase of the State of California statutory inflation adjustment as defined in Education Code Section 42238; and

WHEREAS, according to information posted in the *District and County Office Financial Projection Dartboard* of May 2016, produced by School Services of California, the statutory cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) allowed for 2016-17 is 0.00 percent; and,

WHEREAS, the rates authorized in Measure A of 2006 for 2015-2016 were established at \$0.2845 cents/square foot for residential buildings, \$0.4288 cents/square foot for commercial/industrial/institutional buildings, and \$61.88 for unimproved parcels;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that an authorized COLA of 0.00% be applied to the rates of FY 2015-2016, and therefore a tax shall be levied at the same rate as the prior year, to wit: a tax rate of \$0.2845 per square foot for Residential Building Improvements, and \$0.4288 per square foot for Commercial, Industrial, and Institutional Buildings Improvements, and \$61.88 for Unimproved parcels shall be authorized for the *Berkeley Public Schools Educational Excellence Act of 2006* in FY 2016-2017.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education on the 15th day of June, 2016 by the following vote:

Judy Appel
Clerk, Board of Education
Berkeley Unified School District
Alameda County, State of California