

**CITY OF WESTWOOD, KANSAS
RESOLUTION NO. 89-2021**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WESTWOOD,
KANSAS, IN SUPPORT OF THE SHAWNEE MISSION SCHOOL DISTRICT 2021
BOND REFERENDUM**

**WHEREAS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WESTWOOD RECOGNIZES
THAT:**

WHEREAS, the success of the Shawnee Mission School District as a whole is a positive economic driver for our community, supporting property values, attracting businesses and jobs, and leading to desirable neighborhoods with strong community relationships; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that the entire Shawnee Mission School District must continue to thrive and excel, assuring a quality curriculum, varied educational activities, safe and modern facilities, and superior teachers; and

WHEREAS, exemplary local schools are a key factor in safe and vibrant neighborhoods, serving as a social hub for families, with shared support and concern for all neighborhood children; and

WHEREAS, the Shawnee Mission School District's objective of helping students achieve academic success leads to college and career readiness, creating the next generation of engaged, empathetic members of the local community; and

WHEREAS, the proposed bond issuance will allow for the hiring of additional secondary teachers, reducing teacher workloads and allowing for more personal student instruction; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that the Shawnee Mission School District has proposed a capital investment plan that is not just for the immediate future, but for the next 20 years, and must always invest today with an eye on the needs of the future; and

WHEREAS, the proposed bond issuance will rebuild five elementary schools, including Westwood View Elementary, which has been a central focus of the community for over 90 years; and

WHEREAS, additional upgrades will renovate Middle and High Schools, replace roofs, upgrade HVAC equipment, and update building technology and security, providing modern, safe facilities for district students; and

WHEREAS, the City of Westwood and our residents have a long history of commitment to Westwood View and the Shawnee Mission School District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WESTWOOD, KANSAS:

That the City of Westwood, Kansas supports and endorses the Shawnee Mission School District's 2021 Bond Referendum and urges all residents to do so as well.

ADOPTED by the Governing Body of the City of Westwood, Kansas, 14th day of January, 2021.


David E. Waters, Mayor

ATTEST:


Leslie Herring, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY


Ryan B. Denk, City Attorney