RESOLUTION 2016-06

LA PORTE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A RESOLUTION OF THE LA PORTE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, OPPOSING CENTRAL REGION ALTERNATIVE #2 (CR #2) OF THE GULF COAST COMMUNITY PROTECTION AND RECOVERY DISTRICT (GCCPRD) STORM SUPPRESSION STUDY, AND SUPPORTING CENTRAL REGION ALTERNATIVE #1 (CR#1), AND PROVIDING FOR THE DELIVERY OF SUCH RESOLUTION TO THE GCCPRD AS WELL AS REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND STATE LEGISLATORS THAT REPRESENT LA PORTE ISD.

WHEREAS, La Porte Independent School District educates over 7,000 students, many of them attending schools located east of Highway 146 that could be affected by storm surge and sub-tropical coastal rain events, and

WHEREAS, The 2008 landfall of Hurricane Ike produced flooding and storm surge damage to Bayshore Elementary located in Shoreacres and within the La Porte Independent School District, and

WHEREAS, The Gulf Coast Community Protection and Recovery District (GCCPRD) has generated potential alternatives for addressing storm surge in the Harris/Galveston County region as detailed in the Phase Two Report, and has asked for public input prior to moving into Phase Three of their study, and

WHEREAS, The GCCPRD Phase Two Report indicates that not only would the storm-surge suppression alternative called Central Region Alternative No. 2 (CR#2) fail to protect Morgan's Point, Shoreacres, and areas of La Porte east of State Highway 146, and

WHEREAS, Any unprotected storm surge inundation will not only affect the physical state of improvements made by the school district, including the construction of several new buildings financed by a bond approved by voters in 2014, as well as have a severe impact on continued employment at those facilities and exacerbate insurance costs with increasing depth of flooding for those schools unprotected by CR#2.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LA PORTE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Section 1. The Board of Trustees find the recitals above are true and correct.

Section 2. The Board of Trustees agrees that CR#1 is the only proposed alternative that would effectively and equitably protect areas where students attend La Porte ISD schools and mitigate damage to the District's facilities.

Section 3. The Board of Trustees hereby directs the Superintendent to send this Resolution to the GCCPRD as well as area regional economic development agencies and all State of Texas Legislators that represent La Porte Independent School District.

A quorum of the Board of Trustees being then present, it was then duly moved and seconded that the resolution be adopted, and such resolution was then adopted according to the following vote:

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Ayes: _			
Nays:	0		
Abstent	tions:	0	

To certify which, witness my hand and the official seal of the District this 10th day of May, 2016.

President, Board of Trustees