

1 **RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT**
2 **ORGANIZATION APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF TRUSTEE AREAS,**
3 **CHANGE TO THE METHOD OF ELECTION TO A BY-TRUSTEE AREA ELECTION**
4 **PROCESS AND ESTABLISHMENT OF SEQUENCE OF ELECTION IN THE**
5 **SAVANNA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

6 **WHEREAS**, on February 28, 2022, the Savanna Elementary School District submitted a
7 proposal to the Orange County Committee on School District Organization (“County Committee”)
8 to establish trustee areas and change the method of election to a by-trustee area election process.

9 **WHEREAS**, Education Code section 5019 provides that a proposal to establish trustee
10 areas or to change its method of electing governing board members as specified in Education Code
11 section 5030 may be initiated by resolution of the governing board of a school district; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Education Code section 5030 authorizes alternative methods of electing
13 school district governing board members, including at-large, hybrid, and by-trustee area elections;
14 and

15 **WHEREAS**, Education Code section 5020 provides that the County Committee may, by
16 resolution, approve a proposal to establish trustee areas and to elect governing board members
17 using district-based elections, without being required to submit the resolution to the electors of the
18 school district for approval.

19 **WHEREAS**, by Resolution #2021/22-06, the Board of Education of the Savanna
20 Elementary School District adopted a by-trustee area electoral system for consideration by the
21 County Committee; and

22 **WHEREAS**, on April 19, 2022, as required by Education Code section 5019, and after
23 having complied with all notice requirements, the County Committee met within the boundaries
24 of the Savanna Elementary School District, to conduct a public hearing to consider the proposal to
25 establish trustee areas and change the method of election to a by-trustee area election process in
26 the Savanna Elementary School District; and

27 **WHEREAS**, Savanna Elementary School District’s proposal, supporting materials, and
28 presentation demonstrate that Savanna Elementary School District initiated its proposed change to
by-trustee-area elections in furtherance of the California Voting Rights Act of 2001 (Chapter 1.5

1 (commencing with Section 14025) of Division 14 of the Elections Code) (CVRA), and the County
2 Committee declares that Savanna Elementary School District's change in election method is being
3 made in furtherance of the of the purposes of the CVRA; and

4 **WHEREAS**, having considered the proposal of the Board of Education of the Savanna
5 Elementary School District to establish trustee areas and change the method of election to a by-
6 trustee area election process as set forth in its Resolution #2021/22-06 as well as public comments,
7 the County Committee recommends approval of the proposal of the Board of Education of the
8 Savanna Elementary School District.

9 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:**

- 10 1. The recitals set forth above are correct and true.
- 11 2. The Orange County Committee on School District Organization hereby approves the
12 Savanna Elementary School District's proposal to:
 - 13 a. Adopt by-trustee area elections, implementing Savanna Elementary School
14 District's trustee area boundaries map identified as Map Plan 3.
 - 15 b. Assign the sequence of elections for Savanna Elementary School District's five
16 trustee areas as follows:
 - 17 i. Trustee Areas 1, 2, and 3 scheduled for election in 2022; and
 - 18 ii. Trustee Area 4 and 5 scheduled for election in 2024.
- 19 3. Pursuant to Education Code section 5020(a)(2), Savanna Elementary School District's
20 change to by-trustee area method of elections need not be submitted to the electors of
21 Savanna Elementary School District for approval. This resolution shall take effect upon
22 adoption and shall govern all elections for governing board members occurring at least 125
23 days after adoption of this resolution.
- 24 4. Savanna Elementary School District shall submit the change in method of electing
25 governing board members, trustee area boundary map, sequence of elections, and any other
26 required information to the appropriate county elections officials, and to all other necessary
27 parties by all required deadlines.

1 5. The Orange County Committee on School District Organization hereby authorizes the
2 Secretary to the County Committee to take any other actions needed to effectuate the
3 purposes of this resolution.

4 **ADOPTED this ____ day of April 2022**

5 Motion made by:

6 Second made by:

7 AYES:

8 NOES:

9 ABSENT:

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11 I, Howard Marinier, Secretary to the Orange County Committee on School District
12 Organization, hereby certify, in the County of Orange, State of California, that the above and
13 foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by said County Committee at a special
14 meeting thereof held on the ____ day of April, 2022, and passed by a vote of ____ to ____ in favor
15 of said Committee Members present.

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17 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this ____ day of April 2022.

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21 Howard Marinier
22 Secretary to the Orange County Committee
23 on School District Organization
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EXHIBIT A

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SAVANNA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION #2021/22-06**

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