

A resolution by the Marvista Elementary PTSA regarding the January 1st, 2018 Washington State “levy cliff”:

WHEREAS, It is the mission of the Marvista Elementary PTSA to enhance the educational experience of Marvista children and their families, and

WHEREAS, The Washington State Legislature has yet to fully fund education as required by the state constitution as decided by the Washington Supreme Court in McCleary v. State of Washington, and

WHEREAS, Highline area voters have approved school levies to help fund the school funding shortfalls, and

WHEREAS, Under current law, on January 1st, 2018 there will be a levy cliff where school districts’ taxing authority will be reduced, and

WHEREAS, The levy cliff would result in Highline School District losing approximately \$7.5 million in revenue, requiring the district to make plans for potential budget shortfalls through extreme actions such as layoffs, and

WHEREAS, The planning for a levy cliff causes unease and uncertainty for teachers, administrators, and staff, while diverting attention away from their primary focus of educating our children, and

WHEREAS, The delay of the levy cliff will allow legislators to focus on their paramount duty of fully funding education while eliminating the uncertainty for teachers, administrators, and staff. Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Marvista Elementary PTSA supports the immediate action of our legislature to delay the levy cliff through the adoption of legislation such as 2017 HB 1059.

ADOPTED by the Marvista Elementary PTSA Board this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

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