RESOLUTION #23-08

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HB-2410

WHEREAS, in November 2018, the voters of the Ontario School District SC approved the formation of, and a tax base for, the Ontario Recreation District; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Recreation District ("The District") was created by voters and defined under ORS Chapter 266 – Parks and Recreation Districts through the Special Districts Association of Oregon; and

WHEREAS, the Ontario Aquatic Center ("Aquatic Center") houses an indoor swimming pool, two large locker rooms, front desk area, office, and foyer with three restrooms which, because of a lack of funds, closed in 2013: and

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Ontario found that the Aquatic Center will no longer be needed for a public use by the City after June 30, 2019, and the district was ready, willing, and able to take over the responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the facilities after June 30, 2019

WHEREAS the District finds it necessary to pursue the development of the Ontario Community Recreation Center ("OCRC") for the purposes of improving access to physical activity, a safe community space and direct and indirect social services that will enhance the economic viability of the region, create jobs and improve the quality of life for the community.

WHEREAS, the District, in partnership with local state representatives, have submitted a concept for the 2023 legislative sessions (HB-2410), being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist

WHEREAS HB-2410 Authorizes issuance of lottery bonds for distribution to the Ontario Recreation District to facilitate the construction and project management of the Ontario Community Recreation Center, effective July 1, 2023.

WHEREAS it is the intent of the Ontario School District to support HB-2410 as promoted by the district.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Ontario School District as follows that the district implores Governor Tina Kotek and the Oregon State Legislature to authorize issuance of lottery bonds for the Ontario Community Recreation Center project by adopting HB-2410.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately upon passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Ontario School District this 13th day of February 2023, by the following vote:

Ayes: 5

Nays:

this 13th day

Absent:

APPROVED by <u>Nicole Albisu</u>

ATTESTED:

Cring R. Medder Board Chair

of February, 2023.

Superintendent