## CITY OF LAKE ELMO WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

## RESOLUTION NO. 2010-016

## BOND REFERENDUM RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE MAHTOMEDI PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Whereas the City of Lake Elmo takes great pride in the success of ISD 832 and is committed to ensuring that future generations of students continue to receive the highest-quality education; and

Whereas, we recognize that great schools benefit communities broadly and enhance property values for local residents; and

Whereas, the strategic facilities plan for ISD 832 was developed over nearly two years in consultation with area parents, teachers, administrators and community members to identify upgrades that meet the unique student and community needs of ISD 832; and

Whereas, the strategic facilities plan will deliver significant improvements in ISD 832's math, engineering and science curriculum, as well as additional computer labs, libraries, support for modern technology in all classrooms, and safer and healthier facilities for all teachers and students; and

Whereas, improvements to athletic facilities will provide enhanced opportunities for ISD 832 students, local athletic associations and community members; and

Whereas, the strategic facilities plan will benefit all residents of ISD 832 by providing access to meeting space, computer labs and other resources for local civic groups and community gatherings; and

Whereas, by implementing Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) -standard improvements in all schools, including full LEED certification for the new Wildwood Elementary School, ISD 832 can continue its commitment to energy conservation by reducing consumption by 10%-15%, protecting the environment and preserving significant operating dollars for teachers and programs; and

Whereas, the time is right for this project, as ISD 832 is in a unique position to maximize taxpayer value with the use of federal stimulus Build America Bonds, lower than normal construction costs and long-term investments that will deliver efficient operations for the next 50 years.

Therefore, be it resolved by the undersigned elected officer that the City of Lake Elmo is in full support of the ISD 832 facilities plan and bond referendum as approved on February 4, 2010 by the ISD 832 School Board.

Mayor