



**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT & ENDORSEMENT OF**  
**Akron Public Schools Levy Request**  
**on the November 8, 2011 Ballot**

WHEREAS, the Akron Public Schools is seeking a tax levy for additional current expenses in the amount of 5.5 mills on the November 8, 2011 ballot; and

WHEREAS, the funds will be used to maintain core academic programs and services as the district is projected to lose \$16 million in federal, state and local revenue for fiscal year 2012 and 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Administration of Akron Public Schools has been taking steps to streamline operations and implement cost saving measures including the closure of five school buildings, elimination of twenty-four administrative positions, dismissal of eighty-two personnel, and implementation of a one-year salary step freeze for administrators; and

WHEREAS, the education of children by Akron Public Schools is essential to the economic viability of the region, quality of life in our neighborhoods, development of our region's future workforce and the attraction and retention of talent; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this September 15, 2011, that the Board of Directors of the Greater Akron Chamber supports and endorses the Akron Public Schools Levy and recommends members to support the levy's passage which is the subject thereof.

Attest:

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Virginia C. Albanese, Chair

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Daniel C. Colantone", written over a horizontal line.

Daniel C. Colantone, President & CEO