RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES FOR PERSONS SUBMITTING SPECIFIC REDISTRICTING PROPOSALS FOR SINGLE MEMBER TRUSTEE DISTRICTS

WHEREAS, the San Antonio Independent School District Board of Trustees has certain responsibilities for redistricting under federal and state law including, but not limited to, the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution and the Voting Rights Act, 42 U.S.C.A. §1973, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined it is necessary to redistrict its Single Member Trustee Districts as a result of changes in population as recorded in the 2010 United States Census; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide for the orderly consideration and evaluation of redistricting plans which may come before the Board of Trustees for review and consideration; and

WHEREAS, these guidelines relate to persons who have specific redistricting plans they wish the Board of Trustees to consider; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees welcomes any comments relevant to the redistricting process;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the San Antonio Independent School District, that in order to make sure that any plan that might be submitted is of maximum assistance to the School Board in its decision-making process, the Board of Trustees hereby sets the following guidelines:

- 1. Plans should be submitted in writing. If a plan is submitted orally, there is a significant opportunity for misunderstanding, and it is possible that errors may be made in analyzing it. The Board of Trustees desires that all proposals be fully and accurately considered.
- 2. Any plan should show the total population and voting age population for Blacks, Hispanics, Asians and Anglo/other for each proposed single member trustee district. If a plan is submitted without a population breakdown, the Board of Trustees may not have sufficient information to give it full consideration.
- 3. Plans should redistrict the entire school district. The Board of Trustees will be considering the effect of any plan on the entire school district. Also, the Board of

Trustees is subject to the Voting Rights Act, which protects various racial and language minorities. Thus, as a matter of federal law, the Board of Trustees will be required to consider the effect of any proposal on multiple racial and ethnic groups. If a plan does not redistrict the entire school district, it may be impossible for the Board of Trustees to assess its impact on one or more protected minority groups.

4. All plans submitted by members of the public should conform to the criteria the Board of Trustees will be using in drawing the Single Member Trustee Districts.

ADOPTED this 9th day of April, 2012 by a majority vote of Board of Trustees of the San Antonio Independent School District, Bexar County, Texas.

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