

RESOLUTION OF MIDLOTHIAN ISD

SUPPORTING THE CREATION OF A MULTI-INSTITUTION TEACHING CENTER (MITC) IN MIDLOTHIAN, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the definition in the Texas Administrative Code Title 19, Part 1, Chapter 5, Subchapter D, rule 5.73(8), a Multi-Institution Teaching Center (MITC) is defined as a higher education center administered under a formal agreement between two or more public higher education institutions; and

WHEREAS, This MITC designation will preserve the integrity of a partnership that was established in 1999 between Navarro College and Texas A&M University – Commerce; and in 2006, the partnership was expanded to Midlothian, Ellis County Texas; and

WHEREAS, Tarleton State University has agreed to join the existing partnership and assist in meeting the underserved demand for higher education degree programs in the region; and

WHEREAS, The citizens of Midlothian voted on September 11, 2004 to provide land to build an institution of higher education for the citizens of Midlothian, Ellis County, and the surrounding counties; and

WHEREAS, In 2006 Navarro College opened the first 25,000 sq. ft. building and in 2011 opened the second 25,000 sq. ft. building to provide higher education facilities for Navarro's and Texas A&M – Commerce's degree programs; and

WHEREAS The citizens of Midlothian, Texas have declared their desire to enroll in university courses to earn bachelor and graduate degrees without leaving the county; and

WHEREAS, The demand of the local workforce and student population is exceeding the resources of the publicly supported colleges within Midlothian, Ellis County and the surrounding counties; and


WHEREAS, Benefits include but are not limited to economic development through the development of a trained workforce; affordable access to academic and community service programs; and comprehensive facilities and the technological infrastructure to support such programs.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF MIDLOTHIAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, MIDLOTHIAN, TEXAS:

Section 1. Are in full support of the establishment of a Multi-Institutional Teach Center (MITC) in Midlothian; Ellis County, Texas and

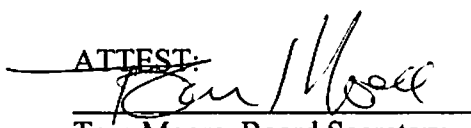
Section 2. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

PASSED APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of February, 2011



Phil Seay, President

ATTEST:



Tom Moore, Board Secretary