Resolution in Support of the Wisconsin Voucher Transparency Bill (Assembly Bill 267 and Senate Bill 183)

WHEREAS, the Genoa City Jt. 2 School District Board, administrators, educators, staff, parents and community members within the school community are united in our effort to provide all children with the highest quality educational opportunities possible; and

WHEREAS, the Genoa City Jt. 2 School District supports local control and the ability of the elected School Board to make decisions to support the learning of our students; and

WHEREAS, the Genoa City Jt. 2 School Board and the school district community value transparency in government; and

WHEREAS, the eligibility for the statewide voucher program will continue to expand (both percentage allowed and increase in income eligibility); and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 267 and Senate Bill 183, the "Wisconsin Voucher Taxpayer Transparency Bill," authored by State Rep. Dana Wachs (DEau Claire) would require property tax bills to include information regarding the amount of taxes that have been levied by the Board to offset the reduced state aid for voucher payments; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education levied \$31,016 to cover voucher payments in 2018-19 and \$24,138 for 2019-20; and

FURTHERMORE, just as property tax bills show how much money goes to public schools and technical colleges, taxpayers deserve to know how much of their taxes are directed to private schools.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Genoa City Jt. 2 School Board calls on Governor Evers, the Wisconsin State Assembly, and the Wisconsin Senate to support the Wisconsin Voucher Taxpayer Transparency Bill in an effort to be open, honest and transparent with taxpayers of the Genoa City Jt. 2 School District and Wisconsin.

In WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being all of the members of the School Board for the Genoa City Jt. 2 School District, have executed this resolution this 18th day of November, 2019.

President

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Deputy Clerk