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<b>Supportive Information Sheet</b>
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**Subject:**    **SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF  
RESOLUTION 09-01 – *Preparations for a Reduction of  
the 2009-2010 General Fund Budget***

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**Submitted by:** \_\_\_\_\_ Dr. Kristine McDuffy, Superintendent \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ April 27, 2009 \_\_\_\_\_

**Background Information:**

Given the significant impacts to programs and staffing that we will be experiencing due to the budget deficits, it is recommended that School Boards take formal action through resolution, outlining the need and directing the Superintendent to proceed to make necessary reductions.

**Administrative Considerations:**

The Board approved this Resolution for first reading on March 23, 2009. It is now being presented for second reading and adoption. The amount has been adjusted to reflect current estimates.

**Superintendent's Recommendation:**

That the Board approves for second reading and adoption Resolution 09-01 – *Preparations for a Reduction of the 2009-2010 General Fund Budget.*

## RESOLUTION NO. 09-01

### *PREPARATIONS FOR A REDUCTION OF THE 2009-2010 GENERAL FUND BUDGET*

**WHEREAS**, the Governor's 2009-2011 State operating budget anticipated a \$5.7 billion State financial deficit, and in March 2009 the preliminary State deficit increased to \$8.3 billion;

**WHEREAS**, the State's projected budget deficit will impact the Arlington School District's ability to maintain its educational service levels during the 2009-2010 school year;

**WHEREAS**, the District's projected 2009-2010 student enrollment is projected to experience a decline from the 2008-2009 enrollment;

**WHEREAS**, the District is currently projecting that, as a result of estimated declining enrollment and estimated State funding reductions, the General Fund expenditures for 2009-2010 will need to be reduced by approximately \$4 million; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to reduce expenditures to this level, it is necessary to make certain reductions in the District's educational program, including certificated, classified, and administrative positions for the 2009-2010 school year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Arlington School District No. 16 that:

1. The Superintendent is directed to develop a reduced educational program for the 2009-2010 school year;
2. The Superintendent is directed to prepare a 2009-2010 operating budget that reduces expenditures to the level of reasonably anticipated revenues;
3. The Superintendent is directed to take such action as may be required by law and collective bargaining agreements to notify certificated, classified, and administrative employees who will be affected by a reduction in positions;
4. The Superintendent is authorized to make other plans to implement the reduced educational program as necessary to comply with the legal and contractual obligations of the District; and

5. The Superintendent is directed to prepare a recommended budget for Board adoption at a regularly scheduled meeting in August 2009.

**ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of Arlington School District No. 16, Snohomish County, Washington, at a regular open public meeting held on April 27, 2009.

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President

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ATTEST:

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Secretary to the Board