

**RESOLUTION NO. 993**  
**AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE PARTICIPATION IN**  
**THE WASHINGTON RACE TO THE TOP PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of the Board of Directors of Everett School District No. 2 to provide appropriate programs which will meet the needs of all students; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors desires to utilize existing programs, services to the district's best advantage, and develop new structures and processes that support student learning; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors is currently engaged in a review of the strategic priorities of the district, including engaging community members and assessing the availability of resources to support improved student learning in the face of dramatic state funding reductions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Washington State Legislature has passed Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill 6696 to create a coherent and effective accountability framework for the continuous improvement for all schools and districts, which supports the state's plan to apply for federal Race to the Top funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors has studied the Race to the Top initiative and determined that many of the priorities addressed in the Partnership Agreement and supporting materials are aligned with the strategic priorities of the Everett Public Schools, including the value of collaborative partnerships in support of continuous improvement of student achievement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors has received assurance that it is not obligated to continue the grant application process should the eventual terms of the program not be favorable;


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of Everett School District No. 2, Snohomish County, Washington, does hereby authorize the Superintendent of Everett School District No. 2 to enter into the Race to the Top Partnership Agreement for the purposes of making the district eligible to apply for Race to the Top funds should the state's grant application be approved and provide a substantial amount of funding for district priorities.

**ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of Everett School District No.2, at a regular open public meeting on this 11th day of May, 2010.

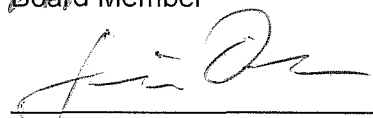
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**ATTEST:**

  
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