A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO EXPRESSING ITS SUPPORT FOR DISTRICT 27J <u>BALLOT ISSUE 3D</u> TO AUTHORIZE A MILL LEVY INCREASE, TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON AT A REGULAR MUNICIPAL MAIL BALLOT ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 7, 2017; SETTING FORTH THE REASONS THAT THE PASSAGE OF <u>BALLOT ISSUE 3D</u> IS IMPORTANT TO THE CITIZENS OF BRIGHTON; URGING THE CITIZENS OF BRIGHTON TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF DISTRICT 27J <u>BALLOT ISSUE 3D</u>; AND SETTING FORTH OTHER DETAILS RELATED THERETO.

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WHEREAS, the City of Brighton recognizes the importance of high quality education to the overall stability, well-being and vitality of the Brighton community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brighton acknowledges the impact that growth has on the educational facilities of District 27J and appreciates that retaining and recruiting high quality teachers and support staff impact the adequacy and performance of the learning environment for the young people in Brighton; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of District 27J has actively planned for enhanced education experiences for the young people that currently attend and will attend school in District 27J; and

WHEREAS, District 27J has proposed to pursue approval of a mill levy increase which will provide essential funding for purchasing and maintaining instructional tools and materials, which may include technology based items, to support the teachers, support staff, and students throughout the District; and

WHEREAS, these proposed measures will enable District 27J to move forward to more comprehensively address the delivery of meaningful public education in the future; and

WHEREAS, City Council recognizes that School District 27J is among the fastest growing districts in the metro Denver region and that School District 27J has among the lowest per pupil funding in the metro area; and

WHEREAS, City Council recognizes that teachers and instructional staff in School District 27J may earn less than those who work in neighboring districts, and may have fewer instructional tools and resources available for instruction; and

WHEREAS, the proposal (<u>Ballot Issue 3D</u>) would include a mill levy increase to raise funds for additional technology, staff compensation, additional staff, 21st century curriculum, charter schools, and other educational enhancements for the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council for the City of Brighton, Colorado states as follows:

1. The City Council hereby encourages the citizens of Brighton to vote "YES" on the District 27J referred measure identified as <u>Ballot Measure 3D</u> on November 7, 2017.

Adopted this 3rd day of October, 2017.

CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO

Richard N. McLean, Mayor

ATTEST:

Natalie Hoel, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Margaret R. Brubaker, Esq. City Attorney