

RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE
IN SEC.212.12 F.S. CLASSROOM TECHNOLOGY
PURCHASES AND TRAINING

WHEREAS, The School Board of Clay County, Florida, is committed to providing the students of Clay County Public Schools with a superior educational experience; and

WHEREAS, the 2006 Legislature passed Senate Bill 1590 amending Section 212.12, F.S., to provide an additional source of funds for education, specifically authorizing stated sales and use tax dealers to forgo the sales tax collection allowance to which they are entitled as compensation for collecting the tax for the state and, instead, direct that the fee amount be deposited into Education Enhancement Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Florida signed the bill into law on May 30, 2006; and

Whereas the Department of Education is authorized to distribute this revenue to school boards to be used solely for the purposes of ensuring that up-to-date technology is purchased for classrooms and teachers receive training in how to use the technology; and

WHEREAS, these funds are a supplement and not a substitute for all other funding received by school districts through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) and other categorical funding; and

WHEREAS, these funds can only be distributed to school boards that officially adopt a resolution declaring the revenue will be used solely for technology for the classroom and teacher technology training; and

WHEREAS, in the event a school board decides not to adopt such a resolution, its share of the revenue shall be distributed equally among the school boards that have taken the appropriate official action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The School Board of Clay County, Florida, hereby declares and proclaims its desire to be a recipient of the funds derived from the donated sales tax collection fee and pledges to use the funds for the specific purposes of enhancing classroom technology and providing technology training for its teachers.

DULY ADOPTED AND APPROVED this _____ day of July, 2007.

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