



Resolution to Initiate the Process of Designation as a District of Innovation

WHEREAS, the Port Aransas ISD Board of Trustees is committed to our mission to inspire all students to reach their potential through the highest quality education; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 1842 provides Texas public school districts the opportunity to be designated as Districts of Innovation; and

WHEREAS, the Port Aransas ISD Board of Trustees wishes to support innovation and local initiatives to improve educational outcomes for the benefit of our students and community and believes we may be able to achieve our vision more quickly by increasing local control over District operations; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 1842 requires districts seeking to be designated as Districts of Innovation to develop a Local Innovation Plan providing for a comprehensive educational program and identifying the requirements imposed by the Texas Education Code that inhibit the goals of the Local Innovation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Port Aransas ISD Board of Trustees believes that any Local Innovation Plan, if ultimately adopted, should be developed in collaboration with the community and District stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, before considering the creation of a Local Innovation Plan, the Port Aransas ISD Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing to receive feedback from the community stakeholders.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Port Aransas ISD Board of Trustees on November 9, 2016 initiates the process of exploring and considering designation of the District as a District of Innovation under House Bill 1842.

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