## LINCOLN-SUDBURY REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE RESOLUTION: COVID-19 STATE FUNDING

**DATE:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020

**TO:** Governor Charlie Baker

Education Secretary James Peyser Education Commissioner Jeffrey Riley

Senate President Karen Spilka House Speaker Robert DeLeo

Joint Education Committee Co-Chair Jason Lewis Joint Education Committee Co-Chair Alice Peisch

**CC:** Senator Michael Barrett

Senator James Eldridge

Representative Carmine Gentile Representative Thomas Stanley Lincoln Board of Selectmen Sudbury Board of Selectmen

WHEREAS, if schools are to re-open this fall in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is the responsibility of each school district to do so safely and responsibly; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the state to ensure that each school district is able to pay for the enormous additional staffing, transportation and material expenses required to do this; and

WHEREAS, the state cannot expect mandatory COVID-19 safety guidelines to be followed without also ensuring that each school district has the funds required to implement these guidelines; therefore, let it be

RESOLVED: that the state must guarantee every school district full reimbursement for whatever COVID-19 expenses are required to follow state mandates.

We must ensure a statewide school re-opening that is safe, responsible and equitable.

## THERE CAN BE NO UNFUNDED MANDATES FOR COVID-19.

Respectfully,
Lincoln-Sudbury Regional School Committee
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Carole Kasper, Vice Chair
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