Date: May 4, 2010

Division: Educational Services

Topic: Biliteracy Seal

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

Resolution #09-10:61

Resolved that Azusa Unified School District present a “Seal of Biliteracy” as an endorsement on a student's diploma and transcript, to each graduating high school student who demonstrates proficiency in listening, reading, speaking and writing in one or more languages in addition to English.

Rationale: The Board of Education is committed to providing every student with a high school preparation program leading to graduation and college and career path readiness. Students will have the skills, capacities, and dispositions necessary to participate fully in the 21st century; economic, scientific, political, cultural, and intellectual life of our global society. Achieving high levels of academic competency in both English and at least one other World Language is an integral part of making the vision of student success a reality.

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