

**CHESTER UPLAND EDUCATION ASSOCIATION  
CHESTER UPLAND EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION  
Resolution 2**

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**WHEREAS**, members of the Chester Upland board of school directors requested that Governor Tom Corbett and Secretary of Education Ron Tomalis provide the school district with immediate financial assistance in order to prevent the school district from curtailing programs for its students or ceasing operations altogether.

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**WHEREAS**, The Chester Upland School District has announced that it may not have sufficient financial resources to operate the school district by the end of January, 2012.

**WHEREAS**, The members of the Chester Upland Education Association and the Chester Upland Educational Support Personnel Association are committed to serving the students of this community.

**WHEREAS**, The members of the Chester Upland Education Association and the Chester Upland Educational Support Personnel Association, and the 3,600 students we serve did not cause the financial crisis in the school district.

**WHEREAS**, The members of the Chester Upland Education Association and the Chester Upland Educational Support Personnel Association are committed to putting the needs of the school district's 3,600 students first and have made and continue to make sacrifices so that the students continue to receive an education.

**THEREFORE BE IT,**

**RESOLVED**, That the members of the Chester Upland Education Association and the Chester Upland Educational Support Personnel Association will work as long as we are individually able, even with delayed compensation, if the current financial crisis causes the Chester Upland School District to fail to meet its payroll on time.

SIGNED,

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**Gloria Zoranski**, President  
Chester Upland Education Assn

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**Jacqueline Browne**, President  
Chester Upland Educational Support  
Personnel Association

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Resolution 1**

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**WHEREAS**, The members of the Chester Upland Education Association and the Chester Upland Educational Support Personnel Association cannot alone solve the financial crisis that confronts the 3,600 students who learn here.

**WHEREAS**, The members of the Chester Upland Education Association and the Chester Upland Educational Support Personnel Association agree that the immediate financial assistance of the Department of Education is essential to the continued financial viability of the school district.

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Chester Upland Education Association and the Chester Upland Educational Support Personnel Association believe that the Commonwealth has a constitutional obligation to provide for a thorough and efficient system of public education to meet the needs of the students of the Chester Upland School District.

**THEREFORE BE IT,**

**RESOLVED**, That the members of the Chester Upland Education Association and the Chester Upland Educational Support Personnel Association encourage Governor Corbett and Secretary Tomalis to reconsider their decision to reject the board of school directors' call for immediate financial assistance; to put the needs of the 3,600 students who learn in the Chester Upland School District before any other considerations; and to render an immediate decision on this request so that the education of the 3,600 students who learn in the Chester Upland School District is not interrupted or curtailed.

SIGNED,

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**Gloria Zoranski**, President  
Chester Upland Education Assn

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