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South Tama County Board of Directors Resolution

September 5, 2025

Whereas, the South Tama County Community School District serves more than 1,300 students K-12, at four attendance centers, and

Whereas, the District covers 262 square miles serving the communities of Chelsea, Montour, the Meskwaki Settlement, Tama, Toledo, Vining and the rural areas in South Tama County, and

Whereas, the School District is the second largest employer in Tama County with over 300 employees, and

Whereas, the District operates an annual budget of approximately \$20,000,000, and

Whereas, the Tama County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0 in July 2025, to approve a settlement agreement Salt Creek Wind 1 ending the expensive ongoing protracted litigation allowing Salt Creek 1 to proceed, and

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors is now negotiating with Salt Creek 2 to prevent the certainty of protracted expensive litigation on the very same legal principles and issues as was resolved in the Salt Creek 1 settlement agreement in July, and

Whereas, the tax revenue of Salt Creek 1 and 2 will pay the Iowa Valley Community College and the Hawkeye Community Colleges \$5,370,000 over the next 30 years, and

Whereas, South Tama Community School District shares the tax revenue of Salt Creek 1 is shared with three other school districts, the significant tax revenue from Salt Creek 2 is exclusively the South Tama District to use, and

Whereas, the tax revenues from the Salt Creek project paid to South Tama Community School District will total over \$21,740,000 over the next 30 years, and

Whereas, the capital investment of the wind turbines in the South Tama Community School District will be over \$100,000,000, thus allowing the District material additional bonding capacity for future growth, and

Whereas, between the annual tax revenue paid to the District and the Community Colleges from Salt Creek 2 and the increased bonding capacity due to the significant capital investment made in the District, material property tax relief will be afforded the taxpaying citizens in the District now and in the future, and



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Whereas, the students, teachers, families and community alike will all benefit for generations from the revenues of Salt Creek 2 provided the District and Community Colleges now and in the future,

NOW Therefore, be it resolved, the South Tama County Community School Board is in support of the Tama County Board of Supervisors approving the Salt Creek 2 Settlement Agreement and allowing Salt Creek 2 to be constructed and the financial benefits for education to flow.

Results of Vote: 3 - 0 - 2

Signed this day of September 8, 2025

Elizabeth Dolezal

South Tama County School Board President