

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HOPE SCHOOL DISTRICT
NO. 1 OF HEMPSTEAD COUNTY ADOPTED AT THE
BOARD'S SPECIAL MEETING OF APRIL 22, 2013**

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Hope School District No. 1 of Hempstead County, Arkansas (HSD) is subject to the desegregation order or mandate of a federal court or agency remedying the effects of past racial segregation; and,

WHEREAS, the federal court or agency orders include the original directive from the United States Supreme Court in *Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka, Kansas (1954)*, and its progeny, that maintenance of racially dual public schools was unconstitutional and directing that racially segregated schools be dismantled; and the 1969 mandate from the federal department of Health, Education, and Welfare to the same effect; and the various orders entered over the years in *Davis, et al. v. Franks, et al.*, United States District Court, Western District of Arkansas, Texarkana Division, Case No. 88-4082; and,

WHEREAS, HSD desires to declare an exemption from Act 1227 of 2013, The Public School Choice Act of 2013, for the 2013-14 school year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Hope School District No. 1 of Hempstead County, Arkansas, hereby declares itself exempt from the provisions of Act 1227 of 2013, the Public School Choice Act of 2013.

The Superintendent is directed to immediately notify the Arkansas State Department of Education of this declaration of exemption.

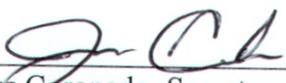
Dated this 22nd day of April, 2013.



Joe Short, President

CERTIFICATION

I, Jesus Coronado, Secretary of the Board of Education of Hope School District No. 1 of Hempstead County, Arkansas, hereby certify that the above and foregoing resolution was considered and adopted by said board at a special session on April 22, 2013.



Jesus Coronado, Secretary
Hope School District
Board of Education