RESOLUTION NO. 2585

WHEREAS, the Greater Albany Public School District will run out of operating money on December 4 and will discontinue educating the youth of this community until additional revenues are approved by district voters; and

WHEREAS, the education of young people is an essential public responsibility which no community can neglect without serious long-term harm to the future personal success of its young people; and

WHEREAS, the community will seriously erode the developing recognition in Oregon that Albany, the "All-America City," is an outstanding place to live, to raise a family and to work if the public schools close; and

WHEREAS, communities where schools have closed for even a short term are for many years viewed by prospective residents and businesses as communities which place insufficient emphasis upon education and, thus, become seen as less desirable places to live and establish or expand job opportunities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Albany City Council that each registered voter in the City recognize that the implications of closing schools for even a few days will immediately set back the efforts of the community to create jobs and restore the local economy to a healthy and vigorous condition.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that those voters who do not approve of the policies of the Greater Albany Public School District commit themselves now to accept personal responsibility to actively work with the School Board in 1986 to review and, if necessary, revise the educational program to meet the needs of this community.

DATED THIS 20TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1985.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Recorder

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