

RESOLUTION NO. 108-84

WHEREAS, an undue burden would be placed on the Mason County Road Department caused by additional snow removal and road maintenance because of increased bussing miles; and

WHEREAS, an unnecessary hazard will be placed on the students being transported by the additional miles traveled during the winter months; and

WHEREAS, the Mary M. Knight School Board has adopted Resolution #190 which states that the closure or consolidation of the Mary M. Knight School District is not in the best interest of the students in the district; and

WHEREAS, some students presently travel one and one-half hours from Girsdale to school and to consolidate would be an additional 40-minute bus ride; and

WHEREAS, Mary M. Knight School District has been in existence since 1926 and provides a good stable program including physical, scholastic, social and emotional areas; and

WHEREAS, the students are getting a good education and it is questionable that the same education could be provided for less money through consolidation; and

WHEREAS, community involvement is always higher in a small school district; and

WHEREAS, quantity of classes offered to the students should not be the sole guideline, but should also include the quality of the classes; and

WHEREAS, small schools offer students a chance to develop leadership skills; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Mason County Commissioners that the proposed closure and/or consolidation of the Mary M. Knight School District is not a viable approach to education in this area and that the Mary M. Knight School District should be allowed to operate as it has since 1926 as a remote and necessary school district.

DATED this 22nd day of October, 1984.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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ATTEST:

Rebecca S. Joche
Clerk of the Board