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South Lake Tahoe, CA— **SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, ANGELA SWANSON, RESIGNS**

School Board Member, Angela Swanson, submitted her resignation to at the conclusion of last night's Special Board Meeting, citing the need to focus on her family in these tough economic times. Attached is the letter of resignation that she submitted to County Superintendent, Vicki Barber, Ed. D. yesterday. Board President, Wendy David, reluctantly accepted the resignation on behalf of the Board of Education, saying that "Angela has contributed a tremendous amount to this District and will be sorely missed".

Ms. Swanson's resignation will be effective May 1, 2009. She was elected in November 2005 for a four-year term. Since vacancy has arisen more than four months before the end of her term, the Board is required to either order an election or make a provisional appointment within sixty days of the vacancy. A regular election is scheduled in November 3, 2009 for this particular seat on the Board of Education, so the Board of Education will make a provisional appointment rather than ordering a special election. At their April 28, 2009 Regular Board Meeting, the Board will approve procedures and timelines for the provisional appointment of a School Board Member to serve for the remaining term.

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Vicki Barber, Ed.D.
Superintendent
El Dorado County Office of Education
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Dear Dr. Barber,

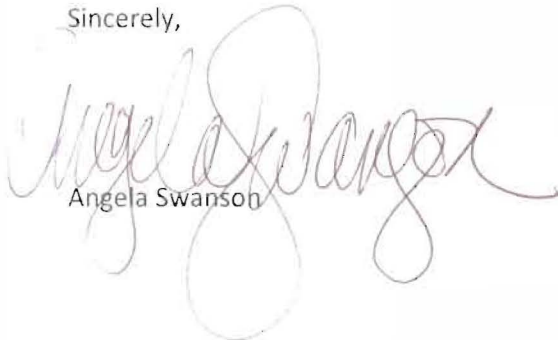
It is with great regret that I inform you of my decision to resign my seat on the Lake Tahoe Unified School District Board of Education effective 12:01 am on May 1, 2009.

This is a difficult decision made only after long consideration. But, having joined the ranks of the millions who have lost jobs in this economic downturn, my family must be my first priority. The nature of my profession created scheduling difficulties in the past. Now, as I am trying to build a practice, the conflicts have grown worse. For me there is only one way to be a board member – hands on and interacting with the educational team. When I realized that I could no longer meet that expectation, I knew that I must take this step.

It has been a privilege to serve in this office working to better our educational system for students, staff and community. Lake Tahoe USD's amazing superintendent, gifted administrative team, dedicated teachers and wonderful students made this a pleasure – even in the hardest times. To a one, their doors were always open to educate, share and inform me so that I could be effective in this position.

My fellow board members are compassionate, knowledgeable individuals who understand that a governance team's effectiveness comes from shared vision and purpose. It is because I value them that I know it is best to step aside early enough to allow them the opportunity to appoint someone to this seat who can devote the time required.

Sincerely,



Angela Swanson