

**RESOLUTION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
COLORADO STATE FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION**

**A RESOLUTION ADVOCATING VOTER OPPOSITION TO PROPOSITION 101,  
AMENDMENT 60 AND AMENDMENT 61 DURING THE NOVEMBER 2, 2010 ELECTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Colorado State Fire Chiefs' Association (CSFCA) is a not-for-profit membership organization created to provide leadership, education, and support to the chief officers of Colorado fire departments in order to reduce the loss of life and property and to protect Colorado's citizens and institutions from all types of emergencies;

**WHEREAS**, in order to provide the best possible fire and emergency services to the citizens and visitors to the state, Colorado fire departments are dependent primarily on public funding from taxes and borrowing, including property taxes, specific ownership taxes, bonds, lease-purchase agreements and certificates of participation, to pay their administrative and operating costs and the cost of capital improvements, such as fire stations, fire apparatus, and firefighting and emergency medical services equipment;

**WHEREAS**, three initiated ballot questions, referred to as Proposition 101, Amendment 60 and Amendment 61, will appear on the statewide ballot for the November 2, 2010 General Election, any one of which, if passed, would cause dramatic reductions to the public funding of Colorado fire departments and impair their ability to provide quality fire and emergency services; and

**WHEREAS**, the CSFCA Board of Directors has determined it is important to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens and visitors to the state that the Board adopt this Resolution urging all eligible voters to oppose Proposition 101, Amendment 60 and Amendment 61, and encouraging CSFCA members to educate the citizens they serve on the impacts of these initiated ballot questions on their ability to provide quality fire and emergency services.

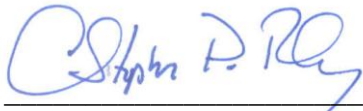
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
COLORADO STATE FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION:**

1. Colorado fire departments are dependent primarily on public funding in order to pay their administrative and operating costs and the cost of capital improvements necessary to provide quality fire and emergency services.
2. The three initiated ballot questions that will appear on the statewide ballot for the November 2, 2010 General Election seek to dramatically reduce specific ownership taxes (Proposition 101), impose onerous conditions on property tax collections (Amendment 60), and cease State borrowing and severely limit the borrowing ability of local governments (Amendment 61).
3. Any one of these ballot questions, if passed, would cause dramatic reductions in the public funding of Colorado fire departments and impair their ability to provide quality fire and emergency services. Should all three of these ballot questions pass, the effect would cripple the operations of Colorado fire departments.

4. For the foregoing reasons, the Board urges voters to oppose Proposition 101, Amendment 60 and Amendment 61 during the November 2, 2010 General Election and encourages CSFCA members to educate the citizens they serve on the impacts of these initiated ballot questions on their ability to provide quality fire and emergency services.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 7<sup>TH</sup> day of May, 2010.

BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
COLORADO STATE FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION



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Chief Christopher P. Riley  
President



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