

**BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

RESOLUTION NO. 11-03

**in Opposition to Application for Beer/Wine License at
Walgreens in downtown Berkeley**

WHEREAS, the Berkeley Board of Education and BUSD has concerns about our high schoolers' and other youths' use of alcohol and other drugs; and

WHEREAS, our own self-reported surveys indicate alcohol and drug use by our Berkeley High students exceeding by a significant percentage both state and national reports; and

WHEREAS, Berkeley High School is an open campus, and as such our downtown area is utilized by our Berkeley High students before and after school, as well as during the lunch break; and

WHEREAS, downtown Berkeley already has ample outlets for off-site sale of beer, wine, and other alcoholic beverages; and

WHEREAS, Walgreens, on the northeast corner of Shattuck and Allston in downtown Berkeley is in the process of applying for a wine/beer off-site sale license, within 1000 feet of our Berkeley High School campus; and

WHEREAS, ABC (Alcoholic Beverage Control, the California regulatory agency for licensing alcoholic sales) considers School District and School Board concerns in assessing any alcohol sales application, and especially if within 1000 feet of a school facility; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Berkeley Board of Education directs District staff to comment and send concerns to ABC during the required comment period of the proposed wine/beer sales application by Walgreens in downtown Berkeley; and

THEREFORE, FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Board is on public record as opposing the proposed off-site sales of wine/beer by Walgreens in

downtown Berkeley, and that any Board member can and should so represent the Board and the District in public discussions and hearings on this matter; and

THEREFORE, FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Board direct our Board President to send a letter including this resolution to our City Council and Mayor, as well as our City Manager; and

THEREFORE, FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED this 4th day of August, 2010, the Berkeley School Board does approve this resolution.

John T. Selawsky, Clerk
Board of Education