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**THE MEMBERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA STATE BOARD OF
EDUCATION PRESENT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION**

**THE ADOPTION OF AN EMERGENCY RULE AND PROPOSED RULE TO
AMEND TITLE 5, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA MUNICIPAL REGULATIONS,
CHAPTER 50, “RESIDENCY VERIFICATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND
PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS,” SECTION 5002, “ESTABLISHMENT OF
RESIDENCY”**

WHEREAS: the Office of the Superintendent of Education (“OSSE”) has proposed an amendment to Title 5 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (“DCMR”), Chapter 50, Section 5002, with regard to residency verification to attend a District of Columbia Public School (DCPS) or a Public Charter School (“PCS”);

WHEREAS: the District of Columbia State Board of Education (“SBOE”) in accordance with Title IV, Section 403 of the Public Education Reform Amendment Act of 2007 (D.C. Law 17-9; § 38-2652) (2007 Supp.) is responsible for approving rules for residency verification;

WHEREAS: the SBOE seeks to enhance the well being of District of Columbia students and the delivery of educational opportunities;

WHEREAS: the proposed revision to Section 5002 enables DCPS and a PCS to improve substantially the student residency and enrollment process by authorizing the residency verification process to begin June 5 of this year and on May 1 in future years;

WHEREAS: the proposed revision to Section 5002 will assure that more District children begin school on time, and maximize the educational opportunities for students to enroll in public schools, with the verification process beginning at the end of a given school year;

WHEREAS: the SBOE has received testimony on this matter from both the DCPS and the Public Charter School Board, confirming the critical need for and immediate benefits from the proposed revision to Section 5002;

WHEREAS: the SBOE has duly considered the proposed revision to Section 5002 authorizing the residency verification process to begin prior to July 1 of this year and future years;

WHEREAS: the SBOE has determined that the proposed revision to Section 5002 would make the residency verification process and enrollment process more efficient and less burdensome to District families and students’ legal guardians as well as to public school officials;

WHEREAS: the SBOE has given timely public notification of this meeting and consideration of this emergency rule and proposed rule;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the SBOE hereby approves as an emergency rule and a proposed rule, the revision to Title 5, Chapter 50, Section 5002 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations.

Date Adopted

Attest