**MODEL RESOLUTION**

**FOR INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION PARTICIPATION IN ACES COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM**

*A Resolution Authorizing the (insert name of local district board of education) to Enter into A Cooperative Pricing Agreement for the Purchase of Electricity and Natural Gas*

RESOLUTION NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

 **WHEREAS**, “The Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act,” P.L. 1999, c. 23 authorizes the New Jersey School Boards’ Association to obtain electricity, natural gas and other energy-related services for individual local boards of education on an aggregated basis; and

 **WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11 authorizes local district boards of education to enter into cooperative pricing agreements; and

 **WHEREAS,** the Alliance for Competitive Energy, hereinafter referred to as “ACES,” has offered voluntary participation in a cooperative pricing system for the group purchase of electricity and natural gas; and

 **WHEREAS,** the (insert name of local district board of education) in the county of (insert county name), State of New Jersey, desires to participate in the ACES Cooperative Pricing System.

 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** on the (insert date) by the (insert name of local district board), county of (insert name of county), State of New Jersey, as follows:

TITLE

This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the “ACES Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the (insert name of local district board).”

AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11, the (insert name of chief executive officer of the local district board) is hereby authorized to enter into the ACES Cooperative Pricing System Agreement.

CONTRACTING UNIT

The New Jersey School Boards Association, through ACES, shall be responsible for complying with the “Public School Contracts Law,” N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 *et seq.*  and all other applicable laws in connection with the preparation, bidding, negotiation and execution of contracts in connection with the ACES Cooperative Pricing System.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

CERTIFICATION

BY: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ATTEST BY:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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