Before the School Ethics Commission Docket No.: D03-23 Resolution of Censure

I/M/O Sapreet Saluja, Empowerment Academy Charter School, Hudson County

Whereas, Sapreet Saluja (Respondent) is a school official, as defined in the School Ethics Act (Act), serving as a Trustee of the Empowerment Academy Charter School, located in Hudson County; and

Whereas, by decision dated October 17, 2023, the School Ethics Commission (Commission) found that Respondent failed to file her Personal/Relative and Financial Disclosure Statements (Disclosure Statements) as required by *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-25, *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-26, and *N.J.A.C.* 6A:28-3.1; and

Whereas, the Commission recommended that the Commissioner of Education impose a penalty of censure, as Respondent filed her Disclosure Statements after the Commission issued an Order to Show Cause; and

Whereas, by decision dated November 20, 2023, the Commissioner of Education concurred that a penalty of censure was the appropriate penalty in the above-captioned matter; and

Whereas, *N.J.A.C.* 6A:28-9.11(d) provides that for a penalty of censure, suspension or removal, a Resolution shall be adopted at the Commission's next meeting following the Commissioner's imposition of the sanction, and the Resolution shall be read at the Board's next public meeting following adoption by the Commission, shall be posted in such places as the Board posts its public notices for no less than thirty (30) days, shall be published online on the District's website, if available, for no less than thirty (30) days, and the reading of the resolution shall be memorialized in the Board's meeting minutes, and once approved, a copy of the minutes shall be forwarded to the Commission; and

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Commission adopts this Resolution stating that Respondent is hereby **CENSURED** as a penalty for having been found to have violated *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-25, *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-26, and *N.J.A.C.* 6A:28-3.1; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Empowerment Academy Charter School is ordered to read this Resolution at its next regularly scheduled public meeting following the Commission's adoption, to post it in such places as the Charter School posts its public notices for a period of thirty (30) days, and to publish it online on the District's website, if available, for no less than thirty (30) days; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Empowerment Academy Charter School shall provide the Commission with the minutes, once adopted, from the meeting at which it reads the within Resolution.

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Robert W. Bender, Chairperson School Ethics Commission

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the School Ethics Commission at its meeting on December 19, 2023.

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Brigid C. Martens, Director School Ethics Commission