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Title:

RESOLUTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE ANN ARBOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Body:

Whereas, it is the Energy Commission's responsibility to make public reports on means of improving community energy efficiency;

Whereas, On December 12, 2018 the Ann Arbor Public Schools added "Section 8000: Environmental Sustainability" to its Book, *AAPS Policies and Regulations*;

Whereas, The Ann Arbor Public Schools recognizes that:

- Climate change is real, increasing, and caused by human activity; and
- the Ann Arbor Community is committed to practices that support a healthy environment for present and future generations; and
- the District has a responsibility to help prepare current and future generations to respond to climate change through the reduction of harmful human activities, the promotion of human activities that restore the environment, and the development of strategies to adapt to climate change;

Whereas, The Ann Arbor Public Schools will support the prioritization of:

- Environmental Sustainability Education that prepares present and future generations to become thoughtful stewards of the environment; and
- Developing student leaders prepared to succeed in an uncertain climate change future; and
- Maintaining and operating district buildings and grounds that reduce the environmental impact of human activities, promote the restoration of the environment, and adapt to climate change; and
- Building and enhancing partnerships that support the Ann Arbor community's environmental principles;

Whereas, The Superintendent and/or designee(s) of the Ann Arbor Public Schools will report annually to the Board of Education on activities related to this policy;

BE IT RESOLVED

That the Energy Commission acknowledges the Ann Arbor Public Schools for its forward thinking and for arranging the stakeholder engagement that resulted in the creation of this Policy

BE IT RESOLVED

That the Energy Commission appreciates and values the Ann Arbor Public Schools for its commitment to pursuing Environmental Sustainability in its educational programming and development of student leaders, as well as through the management of its physical properties

BE IT RESOLVED

That the Energy Commission embraces the partnership with the Ann Arbor Public Schools in our common goal of mitigating and adapting to climate change

BE IT RESOLVED

That the Energy Commission will support the efforts of the Ann Arbor Public Schools to create a thriving, sustainable educational environment and curriculum, preparing all students for success as stewards of the environment.