**SAMPLE RESOLUTION**

**In Support of Restoration of**

**The Federal Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program**

WHEREAS, The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Board of Education is committed to educating all school-age children who live in our community; and

WHEREAS, The public schools of New Jersey are obligated under state law and regulation and federal court decisions to educate all children residing within their boundaries, regardless of immigration status; and

WHEREAS, The federal Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program has enabled individuals brought to the United States as children to fully and confidently pursue an education at the elementary, secondary and post-secondary levels and to begin a pathway toward becoming contributing members of our society; and

WHEREAS, The DACA program has also provided these students with stability and protection; and

WHEREAS, The federal administration discontinued the DACA program in September 2017, leaving it up to Congress to determine whether the program would be restored through legislation. Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED That the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Board of Education urges Congress to take immediate action to restore the protections and educational opportunities provided to children under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, and be it further

RESOLVED That this resolution be sent to U.S. Senators Robert Menendez and Cory Booker and U.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and be it further

RESOLVED That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the New Jersey School Boards Association and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County School Boards Association

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