



# Sample Resolution for Adoption by Local School Boards

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WHEREAS, on January 8, 2002, President Bush signed into law the *No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001*, which applies to all school districts and schools within states that accept federal Title I dollars; and

WHEREAS, the (School Board name) supports the goals of NCLB of raising student achievement; closing the achievement gap; and ensuring that each child has a highly qualified teacher; and

WHEREAS, the (School Board name) continues to welcome the accountability for improving student and school performance; and

WHEREAS, the (School Board name) has had five years of operational experience in implementing NCLB; and

WHEREAS, the (School Board name) has identified improvements that could be made to NCLB that would eliminate barriers to full implementation of the federal law; and

WHEREAS, the National School Boards Association (NSBA) developed draft legislation based on input from local school boards across the nation that would address the concerns of local school boards, and improve the implementation of NCLB; and

WHEREAS, in April 2006 the NSBA Delegate Assembly re-affirmed its support of federal legislation that is consistent with the NSBA draft legislation; and

WHEREAS, in January 2007 Representative Don Young (R-AK-AL) introduced legislation, the *No Child Left Behind Improvements Act of 2007, H.R. 648*, that is consistent with the NSBA draft legislation, and has strong bipartisan support from the bill's co-sponsors: Representatives Mike Ross (D-AR-4), Thaddeus McCotter (R-MI-11), Charlie Melancon (D-LA-3), Todd Platts (R-PA-19), Steven Rothman (D-NJ-9), and Jo Bonner (R-AL-1) ; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the (School Board name) urges (Representative(s) name(s)) to fully support H.R. 648 by becoming a co-sponsor of the bill, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the (School Board name) seek the support of local community and civic leaders and appropriate members of the (name of State legislative body) in encouraging (Representative(s) name(s)) to become a co-sponsor of H.R. 648, and be it finally

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to members of the (insert name of state) U.S. congressional delegation, the governor, the members of the (insert name of state legislative body), local public governing officials, and the (insert title and name of the state's chief state education officer).