



RESOLUTION ON INSPIRING BETTER GOVERNMENT

WHEREAS, residents of our states have a right to receive open and honest public service of elected officials; and

WHEREAS, the public's trust in government has been diluted by scandal and corruption of certain elected officials; and

WHEREAS, residents of our states should expect that elected officials are serving the public without conflicts of interest; and

WHEREAS, accountability to residents of our states by government officials should be the rule and not the exception; and

WHEREAS, financial disclosure by government officials should be done willingly and freely to inspire trust; and

WHEREAS, ethics reform should be a foundation for good government; and

WHEREAS, government should be transparent and accessible to residents of all states; and

WHEREAS, a new standard of accountability and ethical leadership in state government serves the best interest of the people and its elected officials;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the NLGA encourages open, honest and ethical leadership of elected officials.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NLGA will promote measures for elected officials to serve the public without conflicts of interest.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NLGA encourages elected officials to provide financial disclosures deemed to be in the interest of the public trust.

As introduced this 20th day of June, 2011

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