

WHEREAS, Governor Chris Christie proposed language that was adopted by the Legislature as part of the State budget for Fiscal Years 2015 and 2016 that held charter schools harmless from the negative impact of the Governor's proposal to flat-fund public education, thereby resulting in greater amounts of public dollars being diverted from public school districts to support charter schools; and

WHEREAS, The Delegate Assembly is the official policymaking body of the New Jersey School Boards Association; and

WHEREAS, Education-related policies resulting from prior Delegate Assembly and Board of Directors actions are codified in the NJSBA's Manual of Positions and Policies on Education; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Highland Park Board of Education proposes the following additional policy language for adoption by the Delegate Assembly and inclusion in NJSBA's Manual of Positions and Policies on Education:

The NJSBA believes that the Governor and the Legislature should not use the budget process to hold charter schools and non-public schools harmless from State budget cuts or re-allocations of State funds at the expense of public school districts; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution be placed on the agenda for consideration at the November 21, 2015 Delegate Assembly.