## West Virginia Board of Education Resolution to Enhance Collaboration with Military Organizations and Supports for Military Families

**WHEREAS**, the West Virginia Board of Education (WVBE) celebrates the exceptional service, courage, strength, and character of military service members and their families; and

WHEREAS, the WVBE has included enlistment as one of the three "E's" for college and career readiness; and

WHEREAS, the WVBE acknowledges the important role military organizations have in cooperating with counties and schools to support the success of ALL students.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the WVBE re-affirms its commitment to collaboration with military organizations and support for military families through the Common Ground Partnership; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that during April, the Month of the Military Child, the WVBE encourages school systems statewide to support and celebrate military children by seeking Purple Star Award recognition and participating in "Purple Up" Month activities; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the WVBE supports participation in Military Signing Week by encouraging schools and districts across the state to recognize students who commit to public service careers in the United States Armed Forces; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the WVBE encourages veterans to pursue career opportunities which lead to initial teacher certification and employment in West Virginia schools; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be included in the WVBE's official minutes.

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