



**2012 RESOLUTION POLICY**

**Establishing the Election of Members of the Bloomfield Board of Education as the First Tuesday after the first Monday in November - Bernard**

**WHEREAS**, P.L. 2011, c. 202 authorizes changing the election date of school board members from the third Tuesday in April to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November (the General Election); and

**WHEREAS**, Such action requires the adoption of a resolution by a school district or the municipality or municipalities constituting such district, as set forth in P.L. 2011, c. 202; and

**WHEREAS**, P.L. 2011, c. 202 requires that the change to a November election remain in effect for four years; and

**WHEREAS**, P.L. 2011, c. 202 eliminates the annual voter referendum on the proposed general fund tax levy (i.e., the base budget which is at or below the statutory tax levy cap) in school districts where board of education members are elected at the General Election; and

**WHEREAS**, P.L. 2011 c. 202 requires that an additional general fund tax levy proposal (i.e., for an expenditure in excess of the tax levy cap) be presented to voters as a separate question at the General Election; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield believes that the financial interest of its constituents is safeguarded by the state's tax levy cap and the thorough review of the proposed school budget by the Executive County Superintendent and the Executive County School Business Administrator; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield believes that more citizens will participate in the selection of school board members at the General Election than on the third Tuesday in April and that the higher level of participation will foster positive interest in our public schools; and

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Township of Bloomfield, New Jersey, this 21st day of February, 2012.

*Barbara J. Flaminio*  
Township Attorney

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield is committed to the non-partisan status of school board membership and the non-partisan conduct of school elections, and believes this principle will not be compromised by conducting board member election in November.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that pursuant to P.L. 2011, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield changes the annual election date for school board members from the third Tuesday in April to the November General Election, beginning in 2012 ; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 202, the annual organization meeting of the Bloomfield Board of Education will take place in the first week of January following the November General Election and that the board of education's next organization meeting will take place in the first week of January 2013; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that pursuant to P.L. 2011, c 202, members of the Bloomfield Board of Education whose terms would have expired by May 2012 will continue to serve in office until the January 2013 organization meeting; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this resolution be transmitted to the Essex County Clerk; the Essex County Board of Elections and/or Superintendent of Elections; the Bloomfield municipal clerk(s) and school board secretary or secretaries; the Department of State, Divisions of Elections; the Department of Education's Executive County Superintendent; and the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVE**, that a copy of this resolution also be provided to the New Jersey School Boards Association and New Jersey State League of Municipalities

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I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield at a meeting of said Township Council held on February 21, 2012.

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Municipal Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield

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Mayor of the Township of Bloomfield

✓ Vote Record - Resolution 1500					
		Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
<input type="checkbox"/> Adopted					
<input type="checkbox"/> Adopted as Amended					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Defeated	Elias Chalet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn	Nicholas Joanow	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	Carlos Bernard	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Approved	Michael Venezia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Approved by Consensus	Peggy O'Boyle Dunigan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Not Discussed	Bernard Hamilton	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled with No Vote	Raymond McCarthy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Discussed					