## A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING AMENDMENTS TO THE OHIO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION 2023 LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM

WHEREAS, the North Olmsted City School District is a member of the Ohio School Boards Association, and

**WHEREAS**, the Ohio School Boards Association consistently advocates on behalf of its member school districts with legislators in the State of Ohio, and

WHEREAS, part of that advocacy includes a "legislative platform" that is reviewed and amended each year by OSBA member school districts, and

WHEREAS, we believe the current method for electing local board of education members provides a sufficient process for local residents to determine who will make decisions on their behalf related to the education of the community's children, and

WHEREAS, the current terms of service for duly elected school board members can provide stability among the school district's leadership team and preserve an adequate level of institutional knowledge essential for an effective decision-making process,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the North Olmsted Board of Education recommends the following language be added to the legislative platform under "Locally elected boards of education" of the <u>School Governance</u> plank:

OSBA opposes legislation that:

- Reduces the term length of an elected board of education member to anything less than four years
- Imposes limits on the number of terms, consecutive or otherwise, that a local community can decide who will serve on its board of education
- Moves elections for local board of education members from the non-partisan ballot to a partisan one
- Creates or provides any need for primary elections for local school board candidates

President - Board of Education

Treasurer

6-2-22

Date