

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INITIAL MATTERS REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE BONDS OF THE PINELLAS COUNTY EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY, IN AN ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,500,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES ON BEHALF OF ADMIRAL FARRAGUT ACADEMY, INC.; EXPRESSION OF OFFICIAL INTENT FOR PURPOSES OF REIMBURSEMENT; PROVIDING CERTAIN OTHER DETAILS WITH RESPECT THERETO; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Pinellas County Educational Facilities Authority (the "Issuer") was created pursuant to Chapter 243, Part II, Florida Statutes, and the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") of Pinellas County, Florida (the "County"), found and determined that there is a need for the Issuer to function in the County, and the Issuer has been duly constituted and organized in the manner prescribed by law; and

WHEREAS, the Board, pursuant to Chapter 159, Part II, Florida Statutes, has designated the Issuer as a "local agency" under Chapter 159, Part II, Florida Statutes (together with Chapter 243, Part II, Florida Statutes, the "Act"), and authorized the Issuer to provide financing for "projects" as defined in Section 159.27(5), Florida Statutes, on behalf of educational facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer has been requested by Admiral Farragut Academy, Inc., a Florida not-for-profit corporation organized and recognized as an exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "School") to assist the School by making a loan for the purpose of (i) financing and reimbursing the cost of the design, demolition, planning, acquisition, installation, equipping and construction and placing in service an approximate 26,000 square foot multipurpose student center which will house an auditorium, staff

offices, two conference rooms, lobby, reception area, box office, music classroom, drama and rehearsal classroom, art classroom, an outdoor art patio, retractable seating system, and a portable stage and (ii) the construction and conversion of administrative offices into additional student dormitory space, and (iii) paying a portion of the costs of issuance of the Bonds (collectively, the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the School is currently working to structure matters properly in order to financing the Project and has made its initial preparations for the financing including a presentation to the Issuer; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer desires to indicate its initial willingness to issue its not to exceed \$10,500,000 aggregate principal amount of Pinellas County Educational Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds (Admiral Farragut Academy Project), Series 2017 (the "Bonds"), in one or more series, for the purpose of financing and reimbursing certain costs of the Project and paying certain costs of issuance; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer has been advised by the School that the Bonds will be sold and placed with a financial institution to be privately held; and

WHEREAS, the School is authorized by law to enter into agreements to pay from legally available funds sufficient moneys to the Issuer to repay the Bonds with interest and other charges;

BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Pinellas County Educational Facilities Authority, Pinellas County, Florida, that:

SECTION 1. AUTHORITY FOR THIS RESOLUTION. This Resolution is adopted pursuant to the provisions of the Act, and other applicable provisions of law.

SECTION 2. FINDINGS. It is hereby found, ascertained, determined and declared that:

(A) The Issuer is located in Pinellas County, and is authorized and empowered by the Act to provide for the issuance of and to issue and sell its revenue bonds for the purpose of paying all or any part of the cost of any "project", as that term is defined in the Act; and

(B) Admiral Farragut Academy, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation organized, existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Florida and authorized to do business in the State of Florida and a qualified 501(c)(3) organization as set forth in the Code, has informed the Issuer of its intent to finance the Project, and has made a request to the Issuer to finance such Project through the issuance of revenue bonds for the Project; and

(C) The School has requested the Issuer to exercise its powers to issue revenue bonds, pursuant to the Act, for the purpose of financing and refinancing the Project; and

(D) In order to promote development and the economic growth of Pinellas County and the industrial economy of the State of Florida, to increase opportunities for gainful employment through better education, to advance and improve the economic prosperity and the general welfare of the State and its people, it is desirable that the Issuer provide for a statement of its initial intent to undertake the issuance and sale of the Bonds and that the Issuer use the proceeds thereof to pay any "cost" (as defined in the Act) of the Project; and

(E) The Issuer is willing to finance the Project for the School from proceeds of the sale of its revenue bonds, and loan the proceeds to the School, such loan to be payable by the School in installments sufficient to pay the principal of, premium (if any), interest and other costs due on such revenue bonds when and as the same become due; and

(F) The School has shown that the Project will help to fill the need for educational facilities in Pinellas County and will constitute an "educational facility" as identified in Section 159.27(22), Florida Statutes; and

(G) The Project will make a significant contribution to the economic growth of Pinellas County and the area in which it is located, will assist in providing educational instruction and will serve a public purpose by advancing the economic prosperity and the general health and welfare of the State of Florida and its people; and

(H) The Issuer finds that Pinellas County will be able to cope satisfactorily with the impact of the Project and is able to provide, or cause to be provided when needed, the public facilities, including utilities and public services, that will be necessary for the construction, operation, repair and maintenance for the Project and on account of any increase in population or other circumstances resulting therefrom; and

(I) It is believed essential by the School that the financing of the Project commence at the earliest practical date, and the School is unwilling to make commitments therefor without satisfactory assurances from the Issuer that, upon satisfaction of all requirements of law and upon a commitment from a financial institution to purchase the Bonds and satisfaction of any requirements of the County and the Issuer and other conditions to be met by the School, the revenue bonds will be issued and sold and the proceeds thereof will be made available to finance the Project, to the extent of such proceeds; and

(J) The School is financially responsible and fully capable and willing to fulfill its obligations under the proposed financing agreement, including the obligation to make installment payments on the loan for the Project financed with the proceeds of the sale of the bonds in the

amount and at the times to be required by the financing agreement; the obligation to operate, repair and maintain such Project at its own expense; and to serve the purpose of the Act and other responsibilities to be imposed under the financing agreement or other bond documents, due consideration having been given to various factors determinative of the financial capability of the School; and

(K) The Bonds shall and will be payable from the revenues and proceeds derived by the School and will not constitute a debt, liability or obligation of the Issuer, Pinellas County or the State of Florida or of any political subdivision thereof; the Issuer shall not be obligated to pay the same nor interest, premiums (if any) or costs thereon except from the revenues and proceeds pledged therefor, and neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of Pinellas County or the State of Florida or of any political subdivision thereof will be pledged to the payment of the principal, premium (if any), interest, or costs due pursuant to or under such Bonds.

SECTION 3. OFFICIAL INTENT. This Resolution is an "initial resolution" and is the Issuer's declaration of "official intent" within the meaning of the Act and official action toward issuance of the Bonds for purposes of Sections 103 and 141 through 150 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and the regulations promulgated thereunder, including, but not limited to Section 1.103-18, as amended.

SECTION 4. RECOMMEND APPROVAL BY COUNTY. The Issuer hereby recommends that the Board approve the issuance of the Bonds on behalf of the School and requests that bond counsel proceed with the necessary actions in order to receive the Board approval and to advertise and hold a public hearing prior to such Board approval.

SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE. All resolutions or orders and parts thereof in conflict herewith, to the extent of such conflicts, are hereby superseded and repealed.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

Passed and adopted at a regular session of the Pinellas County Educational Facilities Authority held on the 1st day of June, 2017.

**PINELLAS COUNTY EDUCATIONAL
FACILITIES AUTHORITY**

(SEAL)

By: Christopher P. Brennan
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Title: Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

By: Noreen Hodges
Name: Noreen Hodges
Title: Secretary