RESOLUTION REGARDING THE AGGREGATION OF THE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGETS, AS MODIFIED AND APPROVED BY THE CHANCELLOR, TOGETHER WITH A PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY BOARD AND THE CHANCELLOR

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2590-r of the New York State Education Law, the Panel for Educational Policy (the "Panel") must approve an aggregation of the community school district budgets, as modified and approved by the Chancellor, together with a proposed budget for the administrative expenditures of the city board and the Chancellor (the "Aggregated Budget"); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Education Law § 2590-g(8), the Panel undertook a public review process for review and comment on the Aggregated Budget; and

WHEREAS, such review process included notice of the Aggregated Budget via the Department of Education's internet website and circulation of the notice to all community superintendents, community district education councils, community boards, and school based management teams; and

WHEREAS, such notice further included: a) a description of the purpose and substance of the Aggregated Budget; b) information regarding where the full text of the Aggregated Budget could be obtained; (c) the name, office, address, email and telephone number of the Department of Education representative from whom information concerning the Aggregated Budget could be obtained; d) the date, time and place of the meeting of the Panel at which the Panel will vote on the Aggregated Budget; and e) information on how to submit written or oral comments regarding the Aggregated Budget; and

WHEREAS, such notice and public review process commenced on September 11, 2015, more than forty-five days in advance of the October 27, 2015 meeting of the Panel at which the Aggregated Budget came before the Panel for a vote; and

WHEREAS, following the public review and comment period, the Panel made available to the public, including via the Department of Education's internet web site, an assessment of all public comments concerning the proposed Aggregated Budget; and

WHEREAS, the assessment of public comments included a summary and analysis of any issues raised and any significant suggested alternatives; a statement of the reasons why any significant alternatives were not incorporated into the Aggregated Budget; and information regarding where the full text of any approved Aggregated Budget may be obtained; and

WHEREAS, the Chancellor recommends that the Panel approve the Aggregated Budget; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Panel to approve the proposed Aggregated Budget; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Education Law § 2590-r, the Panel hereby approves the Aggregated Budget.