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8 A PROPOSED RESOLUTION
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13 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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18 To declare the existence of an emergency, due to congressional review, with respect to the need to
19 protect the rights of employees of District of Columbia Public Schools to serve on the State
20 Board of Education which will soon become permanent law.
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22 RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
23 resolution may be cited as the “State Board of Education Membership Eligibility Second
24 Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023”.

25 Sec. 2. (a) On March 1, 2022, the Council passed the State Board of Education
26 Membership Eligibility Emergency Amendment Act of 2022, effective March 28, 2022 (D.C.
27 Act 24-352; 69 DCR 2627) (“emergency act”). The emergency act ensured that District of
28 Columbia Public Schools employees who wished to run for and serve on the State Board of
29 Education were eligible to do so in the 2022 election cycle.

30 (b) On April 5, 2022, the Council passed the State Board of Education Membership
31 Eligibility Temporary Amendment Act of 2022, enacted on May 3, 2022 (D.C. Law 24-134-394;
32 69 DCR 4411) (“temporary act”). The temporary act is set to expire on February 10, 2023.

33 (c) On October 18, 2022 the Council passed the Elections Modernization Amendment
34 Act of 2021, enacted November 21, 2022 (DC Act A24-642; 69 DCR 14609), which included a
35 permanent version of the revisions to eligibility of the State Board of Education. This Act has yet
36 to be approved by Congress.

37 (c) Congressional review emergency legislation is now necessary to prevent a gap in the
38 law between the expiration of the temporary act and the effective date of the permanent act.

39 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances
40 enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the State
41 Board of Education Membership Eligibility Second Congressional Review Emergency
42 Amendment Act of 2023 be adopted after a single reading.

43 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.