IN THE MATTER OF
ELYSA SANCHEZ
PLEASANTVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION, ATLANTIC COUNTY

## BEFORE THE SCHOOL ETHICS COMMISSION AGENCY DKT. NO.: 248-10/18 SEC DKT. NO.: D01-18

**RESOLUTION OF REMOVAL** 

**WHEREAS**, Elysa Sanchez is a school official, as defined in the School Ethics Act (Act), serving as a Board member of the Pleasantville School District Board of Education, located in Atlantic County; and

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WHEREAS, by decision dated September 25, 2018, the School Ethics Commission (Commission) found that Elysa Sanchez failed to file her Personal/Relative and Financial Disclosure Statements (Disclosure Statements) as required by <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:12-25, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:12-26, and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:28-3.1; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission recommended that the Commissioner of Education impose a penalty of removal, with such removal to become effective immediately upon adoption by the Commissioner of Education. However, if Respondent filed her Disclosure Statements before the Commissioner of Education adopted a final decision (which was forty-five (45) days after the Commission's decision was mailed), then the Commission recommended that the Commissioner of Education, in lieu of removal, impose a thirty (30) day suspension, with such suspension to become effective immediately upon adoption by the Commissioner of Education; and

**WHEREAS**, Respondent did not file her Disclosure Statements after the issuance of the Commission's decision on September 25, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, by decision dated November 9, 2018, and because Respondent did not file her Disclosure Statements after the issuance of the Commission's decision, the Commissioner of Education concurred that a penalty of removal was the appropriate penalty in the above-captioned matter; and

WHEREAS, <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:28-10.12(d) provides that, for a penalty of censure, suspension or removal, a Resolution shall be adopted at the Commission's next meeting following issuance of the Commissioner's decision, and the Resolution shall be read at the next public meeting of the district board of education following its adoption, and shall be posted in such places as the board posts its public notices for thirty (30) days; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Commission adopts this Resolution stating that Elysa Sanchez is hereby **REMOVED** as a school official for having been found to have violated <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:12-25, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:12-26, and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:28-3.1; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Pleasantville School District Board of Education is ordered to read this Resolution at its next regularly scheduled public meeting following the Commission's adoption on November 27, 2018, and to post it in such places as the

Pleasantville School District Board of Education posts its public notices for a period of thirty (30) days.

Robert W. Bender, Chairperson School Ethics Commission

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted at the November 27, 2018, meeting of the School Ethics Commission.

Kathryn A. Whalen, Director School Ethics Commission