

ETHICS & CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

Renamed and Reaffirmed: February 24, 2021 – Resolution 7 (2021)

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WHEREAS, NYS Public Authorities Law § 2824 (the “Act”) requires each state authority to adopt a code of ethics applicable to each officer, director, and employee, that, at a minimum, includes the standards established in NYS Public Officers Law § 74 (the “Policy”); and the Town of North Hempstead (the “Town”) Community Development Agency (the “Agency”) is an Authority, thereby obliging it to adopt a Policy; and

WHEREAS, the NYS Authorities Budget Office (ABO) recommends that Public Authorities adopt a Conflict of Interest Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted the Town of North Hempstead Code of Ethics published in Chapter 16A of the Town Code Book (the “Town Code of Ethics”) as its Policy in Resolution No. 18 (2009), which was amended in Resolution No. 18 (2020) and followed the ABO Policy recommendation including the yearly filing of financial disclosure forms; and

WHEREAS, the Town Code of Ethics includes all recommended elements of a Conflict of Interest Policy set forth in §16A-2. The Town Code of Ethics §16-A Powers and duties of the Board of Ethics § I provides that: “The Board (of Ethics) shall permit anyone required to file an annual statement to request an exemption from requirements to report items of information pertaining to their spouse or unemancipated children.” This provision should assist in complying with HUD’s requirements to protect personally identifiable information.

WHEREAS, the Members of the Agency (the “Members”) wish to formally reaffirm the Town Code of Ethics as the Agency’s Ethics and Conflict of Interest Policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Members adopt the amended Town Code of Ethics as the Agency’s Ethics and Conflict of Interest Policy. The Executive Director and any officers of the Agency are authorized to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the foregoing.