

**BUFFALO FISCAL STABILITY AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION NO. 14-16
REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF WHISTLEBLOWER POLICY**

WHEREAS, Chapter 122 of the Laws of 2003, as amended, created the Buffalo Fiscal Stability Authority (the “BFSA”) to provide financial oversight and budgetary control over the City of Buffalo and other Covered Organizations;

WHEREAS, as a public authority, BFSA is subject to regulation by the State of New York, whether in the form of State law, the Governor’s Executive Orders or rules and regulations promulgated by the State Comptroller; and

WHEREAS, the Public Authorities Accountability Act of 2005 establishes a wide range of duties and responsibilities for state and local public authorities to promote the highest standards of ethical practices by authority staff and members, and thereby to engender public confidence in their activities; and

WHEREAS, the BFSA has established and adopted a Code of Ethics; and

WHEREAS, the BFSA originally adopted a Whistleblower Policy on January 28, 2008 by Resolution No. 08-03; and

WHEREAS, BFSA last reaffirmed the Whistleblower Policy on July 31, 2013 by Resolution No. 13-16; and

WHEREAS, it is desired to have the BFSA’s Board of Directors annually review and approve the Whistleblower Policy as it represents a significant internal control mechanism; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the current Whistleblower Policy, BFSA staff has determined that modifications are recommended to enhance the policy and to include the Authorities Budget Office and/or an appropriate law enforcement agency as potential entities to report suspected wrongdoing; and

WHEREAS, the BFSA Governance Committee has reviewed the Whistleblower Policy in its modified form and recommended its approval by the full Board of Directors.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the BFSA hereby approves the Whistleblower Policy dated August 4, 2014.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Approved August 4, 2014

/s/ George K. Arthur

George K. Arthur
Secretary