

BUFFALO FISCAL STABILITY AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION NO. 15-15
ADOPTING A CODE OF ETHICS

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

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, one such requirement is the adoption of a Code of Ethics that, at a minimum, reflects the standards set forth in Sections 73 and 74 of the Public Officers Law; and

WHEREAS, the BFSA initially adopted a Code of Ethics by Resolution No. 06-50 at its meeting on August 9, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the BFSA most recently reaffirmed its Code of Ethics by Resolution No. 14-11 on August 4, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a review of BFSA’s current Code of Ethics found that minor modifications were required for consistency within the document, and to reflect a necessary change as per New York State Public Officers Law and Civil Service Law; and

WHEREAS, the Code of Ethics Appendix A, “Public Officers Law, Section 73, Business or Professional Activities by State Officers and Employees and Party Officers,” was amended for minor modifications and inclusion of a new paragraph seven-a; and

WHEREAS, the Governance Committee of the BFSA has reviewed the attached Code of Ethics and has recommended its adoption by the BFSA Board.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Buffalo Fiscal Stability Authority does hereby adopt the attached Code of Ethics applicable to the BFSA’s Directors appointed by the Governor and to BFSA employees and former employees to ensure the highest level of honesty, ethical conduct and public trust in all of the BFSA’s activities.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Approved July 29, 2015

/s/ George K. Arthur
George K. Arthur
Secretary