

BUFFALO FISCAL STABILITY AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION NO. 19-11
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. 18-12 on July 12, 2018; and

WHEREAS, a review of BFSA’s current Code of Ethics found a modification was required for the annual compensation level used to distinguish a “key employee” as defined in the Code of Ethics; and

WHEREAS, upon further review of the current Code of Ethics, the BFSA has determined that additional minor modifications were necessary to provide for clarity and/or consistency; and

WHEREAS, the Governance Committee of the BFSA has reviewed the revised 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 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, 2019

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