

**RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR
HOMER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Homer Central School District (the “*District*”) desires to find ways to reduce energy costs throughout the District;

WHEREAS, the District has been approached by NextEra Energy Resources, a wholesale electricity supplier (“*NextEra*”) regarding the possibility of the District installing an array of solar panels on lands owned and/or controlled by the District in connection with the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority’s incentive grants for the use of solar electric technology as an energy cost savings measure;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the District (the “*Board*”) has determined that exploring the possibility and potential implementation of solar-electric power systems on lands owned or controlled by the District is in the best long term interests of the District;

WHEREAS, the District desires to work with NextEra and/or other solar power providers to conduct preliminary site evaluations, engineering, design, procurement, installation, and commissioning of a solar-electric PV system on a site owned and/or controlled by the District, as well as to take any and all steps necessary and required by the New York State Educational Law and New York State Energy Law to permit the District to evaluate, negotiate and contract for the implementation of such systems if the District determines the same to be in the best interests of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board that:

1. The Board finds that the exploration of the potential use of solar-electric PV systems at the District is in the best interest of the District.
2. The Board hereby authorizes the District to work with NextEra and/or another solar power provider to conduct preliminary site evaluations, engineering, design, procurement studies for the installation and commissioning of a solar-electric PV system on a site owned and/or controlled by the District, as well as to take any and all steps necessary and required by the New York State Educational Law and New York State Energy Law, including but not limited to conducting an RFP to select an energy provider, if necessary, and to negotiate and enter into any such agreements including power purchase agreements and site lease agreements to facilitate the implementation of such systems if the District determines the same to be in the best interests of the District.
3. The Superintendent, and/or members of the Board, as appropriate or as otherwise required by law, are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute and deliver such documents and take all such action on behalf of the District as may be deemed necessary, appropriate or advisable to carry out the intent or purposes of the foregoing resolutions.
4. The execution, delivery and performance by the Superintendent of Schools, and/or the member of the Board, as appropriate or as otherwise required by law, for and on

behalf of the District, of all such further instruments and documents required in connection with the lease of the Property, each in form and substance approved by the Superintendent, and/or the members of the Board, as appropriate or as otherwise required by law, his or her signature thereon being conclusive evidence of such approval, are hereby in all respects approved, adopted and authorized by and on behalf of the District.

5. The foregoing resolutions shall remain in full force and effect until a copy of a subsequent resolution revoking or amending them, duly certified by the proper officers of the Board, shall be made by the Board.
6. This resolution shall be effective immediately.

Moved by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Aye _____ Nay _____ Absent _____

Accepted December ____, 2014

Homer, New York