

City of Berlin NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen

A RESOLUTION accepting and appropriating a Nellie Mae Education Foundation, Transformative Education Governance Award - Refunding Process in the amount of up to Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars in FY18-20 (\$250,000.00), for the implementation of a highly engaged participatory and democratic planning process for the delivery of the city's education system.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Berlin as Follows:

Whereas the local communities desire to participate in the engagement process to identify effective strategies for programmatic and governance collaboration among school districts in the Androscoggin Valley, and

Whereas a local steering committee of school administration and community stakeholders, under the direction of NH and North Country Listens, of the Carsey School of Public Policy, will continue implementing public engagement for residents in the region to communicate with elected officials regarding school funding as it impacts educational equity and excellence; and

Whereas the effective advocacy is for equitable educational outcomes for students living in the North Country; and

Whereas the engagement plan includes: effective education of residents and elected representatives regarding the impact of the loss of stabilization funding on North Country school districts to augment the decision making process at the State level, and

Whereas major activities of the project will include a communications consultant to represent SAU 3 and surrounding school districts at the State level and help to shape strategies for educating legislators and other decision makers about the need to reform current school funding policies.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Berlin, NH accepts a Nellie Mae Education Foundation, Transformative Education Governance Award – Refunding Process in the amount up to Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars in FY18-20 (\$250,000.00) and appropriates such funds to the Berlin Public Schools for the purpose of the award.

This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after passage.

PASSED:

January 7, 2019

APPROVED:

Honorable Mayor Paul Grenier

ATTEST:

Shelli Fortin, City Clerk