

**Black Horse Pike Regional Board of Education**  
**Resolution Requesting Elevation of Public Gathering Limitation**

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Brian Repici, Superintendent of Schools, has authored a letter dated May 15, 2020 to The Honorable Steven M. Sweeney, President of the New Jersey Senate, and The Honorable Craig J. Coughlin, Speaker of the New Jersey Assembly, respectfully asking for consideration on elevating the number of people who can gather at one time, while still maintaining appropriate six feet distance between one another; and

**WHEREAS**, the Black Horse Pike Regional Board of Education (“the Board”), supports the scientific rationale and reasoning for school closures and social distancing measures during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board believes that it can execute a sensible plan for graduating its senior students, outside, six-feet apart, without violating social distancing provisions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board trusts its students and its local community will abide by all social distancing limitations so that the ceremony can be conducted in a safe manner, without the risk of infection; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board wishes to hold a safe, in-person graduation in order to appropriately honor the senior members of the Class of 2020 in a dignified manner to provide closure to their high school educations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Black Horse Pike Regional Board of Education joins Dr. Repici in respectfully asking for consideration on elevating the number of people who can gather at one time, while still maintaining appropriate six feet distance between one another.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution be delivered to The Honorable Phillip D. Murphy, Governor of New Jersey, Senate President Sweeney, and Assembly Speaker Coughlin.

**Dated:            May 28, 2020**