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**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION
BY THE (CITY/TOWN) OF (CITY NAME) IN THE
U. S. COMMUNITIES GOVERNMENT PURCHASING ALLIANCE**

***(NOTE: IF YOUR CITY MAKES PURCHASING DECISIONS BY ORDINANCE, RATHER
THAN BY RESOLUTION, THIS SAMPLE SHOULD BE CONVERTED INTO THE
APPROPRIATE ORDINANCE FORM, AND ADOPTED ACCORDING TO YOUR CITY'S
ORDINANCE ADOPTION PROCEDURE)***

WHEREAS, the (CITY/TOWN) of (CITY NAME) wishes to conserve resources and reduce the costs of procuring necessary equipment, supplies and services; and

WHEREAS, the U. S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance has been formed and supported by the National League of Cities, the U. S. Conference of Mayors, and other public interest groups to obtain the best prices on equipment, supplies, and services for its participating jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the U. S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance shares the (CITY/TOWN)'s desire to improve the efficiency, effectiveness and economy of the procurement of necessary products; and

WHEREAS, the bidding and purchasing procedures used by the Lead Public Agencies of the U. S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance, which are the local jurisdictions actually bidding and securing the program's purchased goods and services, comply in every respect with the purchasing requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated and the Charter and Ordinances of the (CITY/TOWN); and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Interlocal Cooperation Act (T.C.A. 12-9-101 through 12-9-109) authorizes the (CITY/TOWN) to jointly exercise its purchasing powers with any jurisdiction in any state which also authorizes such interlocal agreements; and

WHEREAS, the U. S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance has existing contracts with national vendors which maintain local offices in or near the (CITY/TOWN), facilitating the (CITY/TOWN)'s ability to take advantage of the competitive prices available through said contracts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the (CITY/TOWN) is authorized to become a Participating Public Agency in the U. S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance by agreeing to the Master Intergovernmental Purchasing Agreement that is the basis of participation in the organization, subject to continued compliance with all State and (CITY/TOWN) statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations which may apply, as well as compliance with the rules and regulations of the U. S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance.