**RESOLUTION NO. [XXXX]**

**A RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND DISCONTINUATION OF ELECTRONIC VOTING EQUIPMENT IF POTENTIAL STATUTORY CONFLICTS WITH SECURITY REQUIREMENTS ARE IDENTIFIED**

WHEREAS, the City/Town of [Municipality Name] is committed to ensuring secure, accurate, and transparent elections; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes Section 206.80 and related provisions require that electronic voting systems and tabulators meet strict security standards, including prohibitions on wireless connectivity, internet access, and unauthorized network connections; and

WHEREAS, reports have raised concerns regarding the use of Verizon R2 cellular modems or similar components in electronic tabulators, which allow two-way communication and may potentially conflict with statutory restrictions; and

WHEREAS, such components, if present, could pose a risk to election security and public trust in the electoral process; and

WHEREAS, the City/Town of [Municipality Name] recognizes the importance of conducting proper audits of all electronic voting equipment to ensure compliance with applicable laws and to address any potential vulnerabilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE [City/Town Council/Board] OF THE [Municipality Name]:

**Section 1. Identification of Potential Conflicts**

If it is discovered that any tabulators or electronic voting equipment in use within the City/Town of [Municipality Name] or the associated [County Name] employ Verizon R2 cellular modems, other two-way communication devices, or components potentially conflicting with Minnesota’s statutory security requirements, the City/Town will:

1. Immediately notify the [County Name] County Auditor and the Minnesota Secretary of State of the findings.
2. Request an immediate audit of the affected equipment to confirm compliance with statutory and security standards.

**Section 2. Recommendation to Discontinue Use**

Pending the results of the audit, the City/Town of [Municipality Name] will recommend that the [County Name] County discontinue the use of the affected electronic voting equipment until:

1. A thorough review is completed by certified election technology experts.
2. All security concerns are addressed, and the equipment is certified as compliant with Minnesota Statutes Section 206.80 and related provisions.

**Section 3. Contingency Plan**

To ensure the integrity of elections during the review process, the City/Town of [Municipality Name] will:

1. Collaborate with the [County Name] County Auditor to develop a contingency plan, which may include:
	* Returning to paper ballots and manual tabulation where necessary.
	* Enhancing election judge training to accommodate alternative voting procedures.
2. Provide public communication to keep voters informed of the steps being taken to secure elections.

**Section 4. Public Transparency and Reporting**

The City/Town of [Municipality Name] will:

1. Ensure that all findings and audit results are shared transparently with the public to maintain confidence in the electoral process.
2. Advocate for ongoing monitoring and auditing of electronic voting equipment to preemptively address security concerns.

**Section 5. Effective Date**

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption, and the provisions herein shall be implemented as soon as potential conflicts with statutory requirements are identified.

Adopted by the [City/Town Council/Board] of the [Municipality Name] on this [date] day of [month], [year].

Signed:

Mayor/Chairperson

City/Town Clerk

**Certification:**
I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the [City/Town Council/Board] of the [Municipality Name] at a regular meeting held on [date], and that a quorum was present.

City/Town Clerk