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Board of Directors Commitment

I, _____, understand that as a member of the Board of Directors of the National Association of State Directors and Career Technical Education Consortium, I have a legal and ethical responsibility to ensure that the organization does the best work possible in pursuit of its goals. I believe in the purpose and the mission of the organization, and I will act responsibly and prudently on its behalf.

As part of my responsibilities as a Board member:

1. I will promote the organization's work and values to the community, represent the organization, and act as a positive spokesperson.

2. I will interpret the members' needs; speak out in their interest and in their behalf, to the board.

3. I will make every possible effort to attend the annual Board meeting, committee meetings, and special events.

4. I will excuse myself from discussions and votes where I have a conflict of interest.

5. I will stay informed about what's going on in the organization. I will ask questions and request information. I will participate in and take responsibility for making decisions on issues, policies, and other matters. I will ask questions and voice my concerns.

6. I will work in good faith with the staff and Board as a contributing partner toward the achievement of our goals.

7. If I fail to meet these commitments, I will expect the Board President to discuss my obligations and responsibilities with me.

The organization will be responsible to me in the following ways:

1. I will be provided with financial reports during each quarterly Board meeting and a monthly update of organizational activities that allow me to meet the "prudent person" standards of the law. (The "prudent person rule," applied in legal settings in slightly differing language, states that an individual must act with the same judgment and care as, in like circumstances, a prudent person would act.)

2. Opportunities will be offered to me to discuss with the Executive Director and the Board President the organization's programs, goals, activities, and status.

3. The organization will help me perform my duties by keeping me informed about issues in the industry and field in which we are working and by offering me opportunities for professional development as a board member.

4. Board members and staff will respond in a straightforward fashion to questions that I feel are necessary to carry out my fiscal, legal, and moral responsibilities to this organization. Board members and staff will work in good faith with me toward achievement of our goals.

5. If the organization does not fulfill its commitments to me, I can call on the Board President and Executive Director to discuss the organization's responsibilities to me.

I acknowledge and accept the commitments listed above:

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Signature Date