

U.S. ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION BOARD of ADVISORS

RESOLUTION 2006-03

Whereas, The Election Assistance Commission is committed to serving as a model government agency that ensures the civil rights of its employees as well as the public that uses its services;

Whereas, The Election Assistance Commission is a Federal Agency subject to the requirements of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended;

Whereas, The Election Assistance Commission issues contracts, which, in part, cover electronic and information technology (e.g., electronic documents to be posted on the EAC website);

Whereas, The Election Assistance Commission implements successful practices in government efficiency that include requiring contractors to take responsibility for designing accessible electronic and information technology, thus reducing the need for the agency to remediate the deliverables;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Board of Advisors recommend to the Election Assistance Commission that it develop a Section 508 contract clause and include it in all of its RFPs (Requests for Proposals) that cover products subject to Section 508;

Be It Further Resolved That the Board of Advisors recommends to the Election Assistance Commission that it enforce that accessibility requirement by evaluating its electronic and information technology, procured and developed, for conformance with the Section 508 Standards.