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SAMPLE GOVERNING BODY CODE OF ETHICS

As a member of this governing body, I will:

- *Represent the interests of all people served by this municipality.*
- *Not use the organization or my service on this governing body for my own personal advantage or for the individual advantage of my friends or supporters.*
- *Keep confidential information confidential.*
- *Approach all governing body issues with an open mind, prepared to make the best decision for the whole municipality.*
- *Do nothing to violate the trust of those who elected me or of those we serve.*
- *Focus my efforts on the mission of the municipality and not on my personal goals.*
- *Never exercise authority as a governing body member except when acting in a meeting with the full governing body or as I am delegated by the governing body.*