



National Lieutenant Governors Association

NLGA Consensus Resolution in Support of Using Objective, Measurable Data in Government Decision-Making

WHEREAS, elected officials in state and territorial governments play vital roles in how taxpayer dollars are allocated, how governments deliver services to citizens, and in the crafting of policy and other solutions in their communities, and

WHEREAS, collecting data, expert analysis, and other relevant facts can aid in government decision-making and act as a basis for future policy and spending, as well as shape some aspects of long- and short-term policy decisions, and

WHEREAS, the use of data in government decision-making can be a tool of transparency and prudence, as well as help shape complex policy, improve delivery of governmental services, manage resources, and determine the effectiveness of governmental programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the National Lieutenant Governors Association encourages states and territories to learn about the importance of collecting valid, reliable, and objective data and to explore the use of data and evidence-based policymaking as a tool for future spending and other policy decisions.

ADOPTED, this day, the 6th of December, 2023.

Co-Sponsors: *TBD*

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