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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** State Board of Education

**FROM:** Mike Flanagan, Chairman 

**SUBJECT:** Adoption of Resolution on National School Breakfast Week

The State Board of Education is being asked to approve a resolution declaring March 7-11, 2011, as National School Breakfast Week.

The Michigan Department of Education administers the National School Breakfast Program. Through an official resolution, the State Board of Education will celebrate and promote school breakfast. Not all parents, teachers, and administrators recognize the importance of a nutritious start for the school day. The 2011 theme for the National School Breakfast Week is "School Breakfast Detectives." Research indicates that students who eat breakfast are more alert, have improved memory and problem solving skills, and perform better on standardized tests.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education adopt the National School Breakfast Week, March 7-11, 2011, resolution as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated January 24, 2011.

Attachment

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RESOLUTION

NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST WEEK  
MARCH 7-11, 2011

WHEREAS, school districts around the nation will celebrate National School Breakfast Week from March 7-11, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the 2011 theme for National School Breakfast Week, entitled "**School Breakfast Detectives**" presents an excellent opportunity to emphasize research outcomes that students who eat breakfast are more alert, have improved memory and problem solving skills, and perform better on standardized tests; and

WHEREAS, the National School Breakfast Program has served our nation admirably for more than 40 years through advanced practices and nutrition education; and

WHEREAS, the National School Breakfast Program is dedicated to the health and well-being of our nation's children; and

WHEREAS, the National School Breakfast Program has been joined through the years by many other excellent child feeding programs; and there is evidence of continued need for nutrition education and awareness of the value of school nutrition programs; and

WHEREAS, more than 326,000 school breakfasts were served daily to students, at more than 3,000 sites in Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan State Board of Education continues to recognize and takes great pleasure in commending the men and women who accept and meet the daily challenge of providing school breakfasts to our children; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the week of March 7-11, 2011 be recognized as NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST WEEK in Michigan; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this week be devoted to the recognition of dedicated, hardworking people who make the School Breakfast Program a reality in their community schools, and be it finally

RESOLVED, that this special week serve as a fitting time to urge all Michigan citizens to become aware of the solid foundation for learning provided by a nutritious school breakfast.