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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Adoption of a Resolution Honoring the 2007-2008  
Michigan Teacher of the Year

Attached is a resolution in honor of the 2007-2008 Michigan Teacher of the Year, June Teisan, who has represented Michigan teachers during the current school year.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education adopt the resolution attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated May 23, 2008 honoring June Teisan, the 2007-2008 Michigan Teacher of the Year.

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# RESOLUTION

## JUNE TEISAN

2007-2008 Michigan Teacher of the Year

WHEREAS, June Teisan graduated from Wayne State University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Biological Science in 1986, received a Master of Arts in Teaching – Science Education from Wayne State University in 1991, and Education Specialist – Educational Leadership from Oakland University in 2004, and is currently a Doctoral student in Educational Leadership at Oakland University; and

WHEREAS, June Teisan has taught for 21 years in the Harper Woods Public Schools as a middle school science teacher; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Teisan was named as one of four finalists for the 2008 National Teacher of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Teisan received the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science Teaching in 2005, achieved National Board Certification in Early Adolescent Science in 2002, was named the Wayne County Middle School Teacher of the Year in 2004, and received the DaimlerChrysler “Closing the Technology Gap in Education Award” in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Teisan has inspired many students to do their very best in school, and has instilled a love for learning in many of her students; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Teisan has served with great dignity and passion as the Michigan Teacher of the Year, proclaiming “Quality teaching makes a difference in the lives of children”; and

WHEREAS, throughout Michigan and across the country, teachers like Ms. Teisan open children’s minds to the magic of ideas, knowledge, and dreams; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education has continually supported teachers with several quality initiatives, including the Michigan Teacher of Year program, the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching, and the Milken National Educator Award, and through its Task Force on Ensuring Excellent Educators, recognizes the need for elevating the profile of the teaching profession; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education and the Michigan Department of Education honored June Teisan as the 2007-2008 Michigan Teacher of The Year, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education expresses its deepest appreciation and gratitude to June Teisan and the thousands of educators around the great State of Michigan for their outstanding work; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education supports all efforts, training, and resources available to our state’s educators so that they may continue to educate and positively influence the children of today as they become the leaders of tomorrow.