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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Mike Flanagan, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution Regarding National School Breakfast Week

The State Board of Education is being asked to approve a resolution declaring March 2-6, 2009, 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 2009 theme for the National School Breakfast Week is "Power Up! With School Breakfast." 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 resolution regarding National School Breakfast Week, March 2-6, 2009, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated December 18, 2008.

Attachment

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RESOLUTION

**NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST WEEK
MARCH 2-6, 2009**

WHEREAS, school districts around the nation will celebrate National School Breakfast Week from March 2-6, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 theme for National School Breakfast Week, entitled **Power Up! With School Breakfast** 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 236,000 school breakfasts were served daily to students, at more than 2,900 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 2-6, 2009 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.