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MEMORANDUM

To: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution Honoring Joann McCrum

Attached is a resolution regarding Joann McCrum who is retiring from MDE on July 30, 2010.

The resolution recognizes Joann McCrum for her many years of service to the State of Michigan and the Michigan Department of Education.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education adopt the resolution honoring Joann McCrum, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated July 26, 2010.

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RESOLUTION

Joann McCrum

WHEREAS, Joann McCrum grew up on a dairy farm in Williamston, Michigan with six brothers and sisters; attended Rowley School, a one-room school house; and graduated from Williamston High School in 1962; and

WHEREAS, Joann attended Lansing Community College and Michigan State University, took a short break from college to teach high school Home Economics at North Adams Public School, then returned to Michigan State University and graduated in March 1968 with a degree in Elementary Education; and

WHEREAS, Joann, during her teaching career, taught 1st grade at Van Slyke Elementary in the Carman School District; then taught 4th and 5th grade at Jerome Elementary, a four-room school house at North Adams Public Schools; and had the pleasure of watching her first class of 4th graders graduate from high school nine years later; and

WHEREAS, Joann joined the Michigan Department of Education in the summer of 1975 in the Right to Read Program in the Office of Preprimary and Family Education; and

WHEREAS, Joann transferred in September 1980 to Special Education Services to work in the Regional Planning and Compliance Program; and

WHEREAS, Joann transferred in August 1989 to the School Meals Program Compliance Unit, where she has been a Department Analyst conducting food service reviews for the National School Lunch, School Breakfast, AfterSchool Snack, Special Milk, and Summer Food Service Programs; and

WHEREAS, Joann is a loving and devoted mother, mother-in-law, and grandmother to her son Neil, his wife Brenda, and their daughter Avery Lynn; and

WHEREAS, Joann plans to spend more time with her sister Helen, settling into their new home, gardening, cooking, and quilting; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education express its deepest appreciation and gratitude to Joann McCrum for the dedication she has shown throughout her career as a teacher and at the Michigan Department of Education; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education wishes Joann McCrum a retirement that holds satisfying and fulfilling experiences and accomplishments.