

State of Michigan
State Board of Education

RESOLUTION

Learn and Serve Challenge Week
October 5-11, 2009

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education reaffirms the fundamental role of K-12 education in preparing each generation for active, informed citizenship; and

WHEREAS, service-learning is a valuable tool that addresses the long-term goals of quality student academic achievement, workforce readiness, safe and secure learning environments, and a strengthened democracy and civil society; and

WHEREAS, service-learning provides students exposure to critical community needs and challenges them to use critical thinking and problem solving skills to seek solutions to those issues; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognized and respects the exemplary accomplishments of more than 1,500 of Michigan's teachers who regularly engage their students in rigorous and relevant learning through service to their communities; and

WHEREAS, October 5-11, 2009, has been designated nationally as a week to recognize and commend service-learning efforts throughout K-12 education; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the week of October 5-11, 2009, be devoted to the recognition of everyone who contributes to the civic and academic engagement of Michigan's K-12 students; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education designate the week of October 5-11, 2009, as Learn and Serve Challenge Week in Michigan.



Adopted August 11, 2009

Kathleen N. Straus, President

Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman and
Superintendent of Public Instruction