

## RESOLUTION

Ana Luisa Cardona

WHEREAS, Ana Luisa Cardona, born and raised in the Bronx, New York with one brother, and graduated from Preston High School in the Bronx, New York; and

WHEREAS, Ana attended Marymount Manhattan College where she received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Studio Art and Art History, and the University of Michigan where she received Master's degrees in History of Art and Instructional Technology and achieved All But Dissertation status in Adult, Continuing, and Higher Education; and

WHEREAS, Ana began working for the Michigan Department of Education in 1987 as a Communications Specialist with the King Chavez Parks Initiative and moved to her current position as Arts Education Consultant in 1998; and

WHEREAS, Ana was the founding president of the State Education Agency Directors of Arts Education (SEADAE), and a founding member of Artes Unidas de Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Ana has dedicated her career in state service to the promotion of equity and arts education; and

WHEREAS, Ana has provided unprecedented leadership for the State of Michigan in promoting and supporting the development of arts education and integration across core content areas for the benefit of student engagement and achievement; and

WHEREAS, Ana enjoys her family, including son Simón, daughter-in-law Susie, and grandchildren Joseph and Samira and looks forward to spending more time with them; and

WHEREAS, Ana looks forward to continuing her archival work in donating her family papers and collections to the Bentley Historical Library at the University of Michigan and to dedicating more time to the pursuit of her personal passions, including photography, dance, writing, and travel; and

WHEREAS, Ana has decided to retire from the Michigan Department of Education effective January 1, 2011; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education receives with deep regret the news of the departure of this able and distinguished public servant; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education extends to Ana Luisa Cardona its highest regard and heart-felt gratitude for the dedication and expertise she has brought to her colleagues and educators in the field; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education expresses its fervent wish that Ana enjoy many years of happiness, good health, and rewarding experiences as she embraces her retirement.