

Resolution

Patti Lehman

WHEREAS, Patti Lehman began her career for the State of Michigan and the Michigan Department of Education in June 1976, and worked as a Secretary IVB in the Office of Teacher Preparation and Professional Development until April of 1983; and

WHEREAS, Patti served as an administrative assistant in the Executive Office of Michigan Governor Blanchard; and

WHEREAS, Patti has served as the administrative assistant to the manager of the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) since April of 1983 in both the MEAP office and the Office of Educational Assessment and Accountability; and

WHEREAS, Patti was promoted to a Secretary 9 in April of 1990 in recognition of her service and talents; and

WHEREAS, Patti's sphere of responsibility has expanded beyond MEAP to include many other assessment programs influencing the education of hundreds of thousands of Michigan students every year; and

WHEREAS, Patti has diligently, faithfully, and confidentially served executive branch officials and Michigan Department of Education staff in the Offices of Teacher Preparation and Professional Development, the Executive Office of the Michigan Governor, the Michigan Educational Assessment Program, and the Office of Educational Assessment and Accountability; and

WHEREAS, Patti has participated as a key stakeholder contact and keeper of MEAP knowledge; and

WHEREAS, Patti's diligent work ethic and knowledge of all things assessment has positively and appreciably impacted Michigan educators, and Michigan students; and

WHEREAS, Patti has served throughout her career with great integrity and with a clear focus on serving the educators and students of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Patti's long career in service of Michigan education her family is deserving of a long and happy retirement with her family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Patti has decided to retire effective December 31, 2010, now, therefore, be it

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

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education extends to Patti Lehman its utmost esteem and sincere gratitude for the dedication, integrity, and passion she has brought to her service of colleagues, educators, and students; be it finally

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education expresses its enthusiastic desire that as Patti embraces retirement, that she enjoy many years of happiness with her family, excellent health, and rewarding experiences.