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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution Honoring the  
2011-2012 Michigan Teacher of the Year

Attached is a resolution in honor of the 2011-2012 Michigan Teacher of the Year, Paul R. Galbenski, who will represent Michigan teachers during the 2011-2012 school year.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education adopt the resolution attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated May 23, 2011, honoring the 2011-2012 Michigan Teacher of the Year.

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State of Michigan  
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RESOLUTION  
PAUL GALBENSKI  
2011-2012 MICHIGAN TEACHER OF THE YEAR

WHEREAS, throughout Michigan and across the country, teachers open children's minds to the magic of ideas, knowledge, and dreams; and

WHEREAS, teachers keep American democracy alive by laying the foundation for good citizenship and their hard work and efforts are directly responsible for creating the leaders of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, teachers fill many roles, as listeners, explorers, role models, motivators, and mentors; and

WHEREAS, teachers continue to influence us long after our school days are only memories; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education has continually supported teachers with several quality initiatives, including the Michigan Teacher of the Year program and the Milken National Educator Award; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education and the Michigan Department of Education have named Paul Galbenski, Business, Management, Marketing and Technology teacher at Oakland Schools Technical Campus Southeast, Oakland Schools, with 19 years of teaching experience, as the 2011-2012 Michigan Teacher of the Year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the State Board of Education expresses its deepest appreciation and gratitude to Paul Galbenski and the thousands of educators around the great State of Michigan for their outstanding work; and be it finally

RESOLVED, that the State Board of Education supports all efforts, training, and resources available to our state's educators so that they may continue to educate and positively influence the children of today as they become the leaders of tomorrow.