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Statement of Condolence on Sandy Hook Massacre

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On behalf of Michigan's State Board of Education we offer our deepest condolences to the parents and community of Sandy Hook Elementary School and Newtown, Connecticut. We join with the rest of the nation in shock and abhorrence at the tremendous loss of cherished lives in last Friday's massacre. At a time when no level of comfort can erase the hurt that comes with every parent's worst nightmare, we hope the communal sadness that envelopes these anguished parents can help on some small level.

We recognize in a special way the highest sacrifice that anyone can make: that of laying down one's life for another. The bravery and heroic actions of the educators at Sandy Hook will never be forgotten.



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