## STATE OF MICHIGAN STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

## RESOLUTION

## LINDA K. DROSTE

WHEREAS, Linda Droste was born and raised in Westphalia, Michigan; and resides in Pewamo, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Linda graduated from Pewamo-Westphalia High School in 1974; and

WHEREAS, Linda Droste started her career in state government and the Department of Education on October 6, 1974 as a stenographer clerk in the Career and Technical Development Office; and

WHEREAS, over her 36 year career with the Michigan Department of Education Linda has worked in only two other Offices including the Guidance and Counseling Office, and the Office of the State Tenure Commission which later was renamed Office of Administrative Law; and during that time was promoted to an Executive Secretary 10; and

WHEREAS, during her career Linda has provided invaluable support to the State Tenure Commission and to the numerous gubernatorial appointees to the Commission; and

WHEREAS, Linda is considered a "legendary proofreader" finding hidden errors even after three attorneys missed them; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her support to the Office of Administrative Law, Linda has proven her ability to adapt to times of change by accepting additional assignments including providing key support for the Michigan Teacher of the Year nomination and selection process; demonstrating her excellent organizational and secretarial skills toward the improvement of the Talent Pool of Excellent Educators; and assisting with the Milken Family Foundation National Educator selection process; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Droste has also mentored an Intern from Albion College; and provided support to the Senior Policy Advisors recently hired in the Office of the Superintendent; and has willingly supported the State Board of Education Office as needed through times of transition and downsizing due to state budget cuts; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Droste has announced her retirement from the Michigan Department of Education effective October 29, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Droste has proven to be a cheerful, reliable, faithful, and experienced employee who will be missed by her colleagues at the Michigan Department of Education; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education expresses its grateful acknowledgement of Linda's distinguished service to the Michigan Department of Education; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education offers its best wishes to Linda, her husband Ron, and their children and grandchildren for many years of happiness and good health.



Kathleen N. Straus, President

Adopted November 9, 2010

Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman and Superintendent of Public Instruction