

State of Michigan  
State Board of Education

RESOLUTION

**Tracy Horodyski**  
2016-2017 MICHIGAN TEACHER OF THE YEAR

WHEREAS, Tracy Horodyski received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Group Science with a biology emphasis from Grand Valley State University and a Master's Degree in General Education with an emphasis in Elementary Education from Grand Valley State University; and

WHEREAS, Tracy Horodyski, with eighteen years of teaching experience and expertise, is an English Language Arts teacher for Kindergarten through fifth grade and a Literacy Coach at Zinser Elementary School in the Kenowa Hills Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education and the Michigan Department of Education honored Tracy Horodyski as the 2016-2017 Michigan Teacher of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Tracy Horodyski is known for her ability to motivate and inspire her students, as well as other educators, to embrace challenges and grasp difficult concepts through her unique and imaginative presentations and lessons; and

WHEREAS, Tracy has recognized the importance of student and educator engagement throughout her tenure as the Michigan Teacher of the Year and has never lost interest, her enthusiasm, and her total commitment to the ideals of education; and

WHEREAS, Tracy has and will continue to make outstanding contributions to students and teachers to help build a better future for all of us; 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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the State Board of Education expresses its deepest appreciation and gratitude to Tracy Horodyski and the thousands of educators in 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.

Adopted June 13, 2017