

State of Michigan
State Board of Education

RESOLUTION

NATIONAL TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK May 5-9, 2008

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, the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching, and the Milken National Educator Award; and

WHEREAS, the National Parent Teacher Association has declared May 5-9, 2008 Teacher Appreciation Week; and

WHEREAS, the goal of Teacher Appreciation Week is to raise national and local awareness of the importance of teaching in our society, a profession that touches the lives of millions of Americans; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education support the National Teacher Appreciation Week initiative, and encourage schools and communities to appropriately recognize that teachers are vital to the very fabric of our society.



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