

**State of Michigan  
State Board of Education**

**Resolution Honoring Ms. Lupe Ramos-Montigny**

LET IT BE KNOWN, Ms. Lupe Ramos-Montigny was elected to the State Board of Education in November 2012 for an eight-year term from January 1, 2013 – January 1, 2021;

WHEREAS, Ms. Ramos-Montigny earned her Bachelor of Science degree at Pan American University in Edinburg, Texas and her Master of Science degree with emphasis in bilingual education from Grand Valley State University in Allendale, Michigan, and received honorary doctoral degrees from Ferris State University, Grand Valley State University, and Midwest Theological University;

WHEREAS, Ms. Ramos-Montigny worked in Michigan public schools for 36 years as a teacher and principal, the majority of her career in Grand Rapids Public Schools;

WHEREAS, Ms. Ramos-Montigny served as chairperson of the State Board of Education Legislative Committee, and was Michigan's delegate to the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) and central area director on NASBE's Board of Directors;

WHEREAS, Ms. Ramos-Montigny has served on many boards and committees, including the Committee to Honor Cesar E. Chavez, Cesar E. Chavez Unity Committee, Student Advancement Foundation Board, Kent County Citizens Friend of the Court Advisory Board, Grand Rapids Museum Foundation Board, and Grand Rapids Public Museum School Advisory Board;

WHEREAS, Ms. Ramos-Montigny has been honored with the Lupe Ramos-Montigny Si Se Puede (Yes We Can) Legacy Endowed Scholarship; NAACP Floyd Skinner Criminal and Social Justice Award; Mayor George Heartwell Champion of Diversity Award; NOBLE Civil Rights Justice Action Youth Award; Helen Claytor Civil Rights Award, City of Grand Rapids; Dave and Carol Van Andel Leadership Award, Grand Rapids Public Museum; and numerous other awards;

WHEREAS, Ms. Ramos-Montigny has been a mentor to several young people and has served as a role model of civic action, cultural awareness, equity, and dedicated leadership;

WHEREAS, Ms. Ramos-Montigny is known for her respect for all people, loyalty, work ethic, passion, and energy;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Board of Education extends to Ms. Ramos-Montigny its highest regard and heartfelt gratitude for the dedication and expertise that she has brought to the children of Michigan, their parents, and the millions of Michigan citizens whose lives have been enhanced through her efforts; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the State Board of Education expresses its fervent wish that Ms. Ramos-Montigny continues to enjoy many rewarding experiences with family, friends, and colleagues.

Adopted December 8, 2020