State of Michigan State Board of Education

Resolution Honoring Susan Broman

LET IT BE KNOWN, Susan Broman has served Michigan's children as Deputy Superintendent of the Michigan Department of Education since 2012; and

WHEREAS, Susan earned her Bachelor of Science Degree in Sociology and her Master's Degree in Counseling and Personnel from Western Michigan University; and

WHEREAS, Over the course of a distinguished career of service advancing early childhood outcomes and the improvement of academic outcomes for all students, Susan has decades of working collaboratively on early childhood issues at the local level in her Grand Rapids community as well as on many statewide efforts. Some of her past notable early childhood learning efforts include: Early Matters initiative, the Ready to Succeed: Be Their Hero from Age Zero campaign and the First Steps Commission in Kent County; and

WHEREAS, Susan has always been a reliable, hardworking and caring individual who has fulfilled a variety of responsibilities with the Michigan Department of Education, including the most recent assignment of providing leadership to the Career and Technical Education and Special Education programs. During her first year with the department, Susan lead an extensive statewide process in the development of a comprehensive plan of action for advancing early learning and development from a whole-child approach called Great Start, Great Investment, Great Future. This plan became the driver of policy, funding, and accountability decisions for the Office of Great Start. She set the standard and exemplified for her leadership team by being a vocal champion for all children in Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Her knowledge, leadership and guidance have truly made a difference for young children in Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Susan wishes to spend more time traveling and enjoying the arts; and

WHEREAS, Susan has announced her departure from the Michigan Department of Education effective on January 26, 2018; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education receives with deep regret the news of departure of this honored and distinguished employee; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education thanks Susan for her contributions and years of dedicated service; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education wishes Susan Broman a future full of laughter, happiness and good health with family and friends.

Adopted January 9, 2018