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TO: All Wayne County School District Board of Education Members

FROM: Chris Wigent, Wayne RESA Superintendent

DATE: January 3, 2013

RE: School Board Recognition Resolution

Happy New Year! It is truly my hope, both professionally and personally, that 2013 will be a happy and healthy year for all of you and your families. Although we all recently celebrated a new calendar year, we also are aware that we have not yet even reached the halfway point of the 2012-13 school year. There are so many positive and productive things happening for children throughout Wayne County, and while we continue to focus on working extremely hard to improve instruction for all children, it is always important that we also take a moment to recognize our successes. The month of January provides us with that opportunity as we all celebrate the great work that is being done by school boards both in our county and throughout the State of Michigan. As board of education members, you continue to represent the citizens in your individual communities to ensure that your school district is providing the most quality educational opportunities possible for each and every child in that district. In Wayne County, the commitment of over 240 school board members is reflected daily throughout the 34 school districts that educate the 290,000 students who attend public schools in this county.

At the December meeting of the Wayne RESA Board of Education, the Board approved the enclosed "Local School District Board of Education Recognition Resolution." This resolution represents the continued appreciation for your efforts from the Wayne RESA Board of Education members and provides a public acknowledgement of your dedication to public school education in Wayne County.

As we move forward with this new calendar year and with our current school year, it is more critical than ever that the actions of school boards everywhere reflect the Michigan Association of School Boards theme: "School Boards Lead Strong." Thank you for your continued "strong leadership" and please be assured that your efforts are noticed and greatly appreciated!

cc: District Superintendents

**Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency
Board of Education**

**Local School District Board of Education
Recognition Resolution**

January, 2013

WHEREAS, the education of our youth provides for their success, as well as the economic, social and intellectual well-being of our State; and

WHEREAS, the Boards of Education of the 34 constituent school districts of Wayne County recognize and embrace their role in providing quality education for all children attending school in these districts; and

WHEREAS, these committed public servants demonstrate dedication to their civic duty and voluntarily contribute countless hours of service on behalf of the students of Wayne County; and

WHEREAS, the current political climate in Lansing has challenged those boards of education to continue to develop and implement board policy in reaction to legislative mandates that may or may not be in the best interest of their students; and

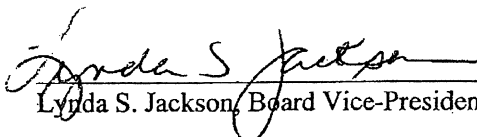
WHEREAS, local control continues to be of great importance and plays a vital role in the success of public education; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan, and the State Board of Education have declared January, 2013 as School Board Recognition Month,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency Board of Education in the spirit of the School Board Recognition Month theme, "School Boards Lead Strong", recognizes, celebrates and commends the dedication, contributions and leadership of the Wayne County School Boards of Education.

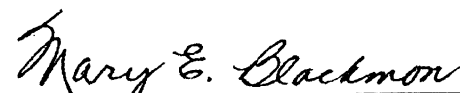
Presented and Adopted, December 19, 2012


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