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PROCLAMATION OF APPRECIATION FOR THE COMMITTEE FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION, INTERVENTION AND MONITORING

Whereas the Committee for Legislative Action, Intervention and Monitoring, hereby referred to as CLAIM, drafted resolutions regarding data equity and longitudinal data systems that were presented during the Delegate Assembly at the 2014 Joint Annual Conference of the Illinois Association of School Boards, Illinois Association of School Administrators and Illinois Association of School Business Officials; and

Whereas both resolutions were passed by conference delegates representing more than 350 school districts; and

Whereas CLAIM's tireless efforts on this important endeavor have raised state-wide awareness of how vital academic data sharing is to non-unit districts, while also paving the way for the creation of data equity legislation that will have a profound and lasting impact on students throughout Illinois; and

Whereas, in addition to its hard work on these resolutions, CLAIM played an instrumental role in District 97 being selected as a pilot for the Kindergarten Individual Development Survey (KIDS), which has enhanced the district's ability to provide the children of Oak Park with access to high-quality learning experiences during the critical first few years of their lives; and

Whereas CLAIM has also aided District 97's efforts to build a better tomorrow for its students by fortifying the district's relationships with legislative leaders and policymakers and strengthening its voice on key issues;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the District 97 Board of Education that it affirms the aforementioned achievements of CLAIM; and

Be It Further Resolved that, on behalf of the District 97 community, the Board expresses its sincere appreciation and gratitude to the members of CLAIM for their passionate commitment to education and significant contributions to the success of the district's schools and the nearly 6,000 young men and women they serve;

Proclaimed on this 16th day of December 2014.