



**STATE OF HAWAII
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

hereby presents this certificate to

CHERYL KA'UHANE LUPENUI

WHEREAS, Cheryl Ka'uhane Lupenui has shared her extensive background and experience in business administration to the Board of Education;

WHEREAS, Ms. Lupenui served on the Board of Education for four years, from 2011-2015 and was one of the inaugural members of the appointed school board created by an amendment to the Hawaii State Constitution in 2011;

WHEREAS, Ms. Lupenui and her fellow volunteer board members were committed to ensuring a culture of collaboration and support for the Department of Education;

WHEREAS, Ms. Lupenui worked with her fellow Board of Education members and the Department of Education to develop the first joint Board of Education and Department of Education strategic plan to guide sweeping educational reform in Hawaii, which has received national recognition for the resulting student success;

WHEREAS, Ms. Lupenui has worked together with her fellow Board members to create stronger high school diploma standards to ensure that Hawaii's students are ready for a post-secondary education and successful career;

WHEREAS, Ms. Lupenui's personal contributions to the Board of Education included serving as Chairperson of the Student Achievement Committee, which focuses on the first goal of the joint strategic plan—student success, to ensure that all students demonstrate they are on a path toward success in college, career, and citizenship.

WHEREAS, because of her strong belief in community involvement and participation Ms. Lupenui took the lead in organizing and developing the first community meeting in Windward Oahu;

WHEREAS, Ms. Lupenui has been indispensable in ensuring that the Board of Education, Department of Education, and key stakeholders work collaboratively to further the State's educational goals and has set the tone for how the Board of Education works with the Department of Education on critical education reforms;

WHEREAS, Ms. Lupenui was integral in the adoption of stronger high school diploma standards to ensure that Hawaii's graduates will meet the Common Core State Standards;

WHEREAS, Ms. Lupenui was instrumental in bringing together key stakeholders and community groups to develop Board of Education policies regarding Hawaiian Education Programs and Ka Papahana Kaiapuni and has worked tirelessly to ensure that Hawaii's public education system embodies Hawaiian values, language, culture and history and provides this foundation for all students; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the State of Hawaii Board of Education hereby, extends its heartfelt appreciation to CHERYL KA'UHANE LUPENUI for her dedication and meaningful, significant contributions to the education of Hawaii's children with a spirit of aloha.

Dated this sixteenth day of June, 2015

Donald G. Horner, Chairperson