

STATE OF HAWAII BOARD OF EDUCATION

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RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

RECOGNIZING BOARD MEMBER PATRICIA HALAGAO FOR HER SERVICE

WHEREAS, as a member of the Board of Education ("Board"), Patricia Halagao has shared her extensive background and experience in education;

WHEREAS, Ms. Halagao served on the Board for three years, from 2013 to 2016;

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

WHEREAS, Ms. Halagao worked together with her fellow Board members and the Department to reorganize Board policies to align with the joint Board and Department strategic plan;

WHEREAS, Ms. Halagao's personal contributions to the Board included serving as Chairperson and Vice 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, Ms. Halagao has zealously advocated for adequate supports for English learners and the educators working with them in public schools;

WHEREAS, Ms. Halagao has been a champion of multilingualism celebrating cultural diversity in Hawaii's public schools and was integral in bringing together key stakeholders and community groups to develop Board policies regarding multilingualism in schools and the Seal of Biliteracy program; now, therefore,

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

This resolution was proposed and approved by the Board at its June 21, 2016 General Business Meeting.

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