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## Resolution Recognizing the Contribution Lieutenant Governor Joe Garcia has Made to Education in Colorado

In honor of Lieutenant Governor Joseph Garcia upon the occasion of his final update to the Colorado Board of Education on April 14, 2016

WHEREAS: Lt. Gov. Joseph Garcia has been an invaluable partner

with the Colorado State Board of Education and the Colorado Department of Education in our efforts to prepare all students for college or careers since he was sworn into the office of Colorado's Lieutenant Governor in

2011; and

WHEREAS: Joe was uniquely experienced and knowledgeable about the

role higher education plays in Colorado as executive director of the Colorado Commission on Higher Education as well as being past president of Colorado State University – Pueblo and serving as the past president of the second-largest community college in Colorado, Pikes Peak

Community College; and

WHEREAS: Joe has fought tirelessly for the education of all children in

Colorado, understanding the importance of building a cohesive education system from preschool through college

and advocating for strong literacy programs; and

WHEREAS: When he was not riding his motorcycle, Joe has given

selflessly to the education of students in Colorado and the

future of our children; and

WHEREAS: Joe has pushed for finding regional solutions to higher

education, battling for expanding access to higher

education for all students in Colorado, especially students of color and first-generation college students because he knows that a highly educated workforce is critical to the

future of our entire state; and

WHEREAS:

Joe has been a tireless advocate for Colorado's Native American and Latino students; and a relentless supporter of raising expectations for all students and ensuring that all students have access to a world class education; and

WHEREAS:

We congratulate Joe on his acceptance of a position as president of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education where he will continue to work collaboratively to expand educational access and excellence for all citizens of the west;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED: The Colorado State Board of Education formally commends Lt. Gov. Joseph Garcia for his outstanding service as our lieutenant governor, his commitment to continually improve education for the children of Colorado, and his enduring dedication to making sure all children receive a world class education and are prepared to enter college or the workforce.

DATED THIS 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2016

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