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**Resolution Recognizing the Contribution Elaine Gantz Berman Has Made
to the Education of Children in Colorado**

- WHEREAS: Elaine Gantz Berman has served on the State Board of Education since January 2007; and
- WHEREAS: During her term of service, she served as the Democratic legislative liaison;
- WHEREAS: Ms. Berman helped to found the Colorado Legacy Foundation, n/k/a Colorado Education Initiative, and served as founding board member of that organization;
- WHEREAS: Ms. Berman has been an effective advocate for Denver Public Schools and the innovative approaches the district is taking to improve growth and learning for all students;
- WHEREAS: As a passionate advocate for children's health, Ms. Berman was instrumental in the adoption of Colorado's first Comprehensive Health and Physical Education Standards;
- WHEREAS: Throughout her years of service on the Board, Ms. Berman has been a strong advocate for equity for all students, regardless of where they live, their income, or ethnicity;
- WHEREAS: Ms. Berman worked to improve teacher effectiveness and revise state assessments to align with Colorado's 10 model content standards to ensure that Colorado's education system reflect the skills students will need in the 21st century; additionally, Ms. Berman chaired the Expanded Learning Opportunities Commission, whose charge was to ensure that statewide policies support expanded learning opportunities within the ongoing education reform initiatives throughout the state.
- WHEREAS: Ms. Berman, along with the Board as a whole, selected Dwight Jones as Commissioner of education in 2007; and Ms. Berman, along with the Board as a whole, selected Robert Hammond as Commissioner of Education in 2011;
- WHEREAS: Over the course of her service, the State of Colorado has undergone tremendous education reforms including the enactment of Colorado's Achievement Plan for Kids, the



Innovation Schools Act, the Licensed Personnel Performance Evaluation Act, and the Colorado Reading to Ensure Act. She, along with the Board, as a whole, has worked to improve the Department's long-term and ongoing efforts to implement Colorado's education reform agenda.

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RESOLVED: The Colorado State Board of Education formally recognizes Elaine Berman for her eight years of dedication to the children of Colorado through her service on the Colorado State Board of Education.

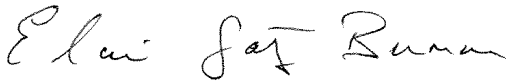
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