

August 7, 2019 Adoption Resolution

RESOLUTION TO HONOR ARCELIO APONTE FOR SERVICE AS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2017, Mr. Arcelio Aponte assumed the role as President Pro Tem of the New Jersey State Board of Education during the time of an unexpected transition; and

WHEREAS, on July 5, 2017, Mr. Aponte was nominated and unanimously elected by his colleagues to serve as President of the New Jersey State Board of Education for his fifth term; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Aponte utilized his experience and energy early on in his term to familiarize new State Board members with their role and to increase their shared understanding of education policy; and

WHEREAS, under Mr. Aponte's leadership, the State-Operated School Districts of Jersey City, Newark and Paterson all began the transition to return to full local control; and

WHEREAS, throughout his recent tenure as State Board President, Mr. Aponte supported high-quality teacher education initiatives such as the adoption of the edTPA and the teacher leader endorsement to the instructional certificate; and

WHEREAS, on July 3, 2019, Mr. Aponte concluded his sixth term as President due to increasing demands on his professional career; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the New Jersey State Board of Education and the Acting Commissioner of Education applaud Mr. Arcelio Aponte for his intelligent and broad-minded leadership style that ably guided the State Board to enact education policy that effectuated meaningful change and supported successful practices in New Jersey's public education system; and be it further

RESOLVED, the New Jersey State Board of Education expresses sincere gratitude for his dedication and service to the State Board and continued work on behalf of all of the students of New Jersey.

Kevin Dehmer, Acting Commissioner
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