Resolution Honoring TRAVIS GILBERT State Board of Education Student Member 2009-2011

May 18, 2011

Whereas. On May 22, 2008, the Pennsylvania State Board of Education amended its bylaws to provide for student membership and greater student voice in education policymaking; and Whereas, This policy ensures dedicated representation for the more than 650,000 high school students enrolled in public, private and non-public high schools across the Commonwealth; and Whereas. Mr. Travis Gilbert, a resident of Newville and currently a senior at Big Spring High School has been a consistent, thoughtful, and persuasive voice in representing the interests of Pennsylvania's students since September 2009; and Whereas. Mr. Gilbert, who is bound for Hood College, has brought warmth and humor to many of the most pressing educational policy questions of the day; and Whereas. Mr. Gilbert's tenure builds on an impressive record of service at Big Spring and a busy schedule in local and regional arts initiatives; and Whereas, Mr. Gilbert's work on the Board was especially valuable in connecting state-level high school reforms with the experience and perspectives of high school students; and Whereas, Mr. Gilbert's public service offers unique preparation for his future studies and collegiate experiences; therefore be it Resolved: That the members of the Council of Basic Education and entire State Board of Education extend their heartfelt appreciation to Mr. Travis Gilbert for his leadership, dedication, and friendship; and be it further Resolved: That the Board expresses its sincere wishes for Mr. Gilbert's continued success in all his endeavors.

> Larry Wittig Chairman May 18, 2011