Resolution Honoring WENDY BEETLESTONE Member, Council of Higher Education State Board of Education

- *Whereas*, Wendy Beetlestone served as an active member of the State Board of Education since her appointment by Governor Edward G. Rendell in October 2010; and
- *Whereas,* In that capacity she served with distinction on both the Vocational-Technical Education Committee and the Special and Gifted Education Committee during the review of state regulations in 22 Pa. Code Chapter 16 relating to special education for gifted children; and
- Whereas, Wendy supplied the Board with her keen intellect and leadership skills while serving as Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee that led the Board's review and investigation of the applications of the Borough of Riegelsville in Bucks County and Porter Township in Pike County to be independent school districts for transfer; and
- *Whereas*, Wendy's career, including her service as solicitor for the Philadelphia School District from 2002 to 2005, exemplifies a professional commitment to public education; and
- *Whereas*, Wendy announced her resignation from the Board via letter dated December 1, 2014, after she was confirmed by the United State Senate to serve as a federal judge in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; now, therefore be it
- **Resolved:** That the State Board of Education extends its sincere appreciation to its friend and colleague, Wendy Beetlestone, for her leadership and distinguished career in public service in this Commonwealth and as a member of the federal judiciary, and best wishes for success in all her endeavors.

Given under my hand and our seal this 14th day of January 2015

> Larry Wittig Chairman