

RESOLUTION

Action Item 0112.1

Whereas, Thomas E. Gluck served expertly and thoughtfully as the Commonwealth's chief state school officer during a period of unprecedented change in education policy; and

Whereas, under Secretary Gluck's leadership, Pennsylvania made substantial progress in advancing reforms for schools and students; and

Whereas, prior to his appointment as Secretary, Mr. Gluck served as the agency's Executive Deputy Secretary—managing the daily operations of the Department of Education, positioning the agency as a genuine partner for districts and educators, and ensuring high-quality provision of service for Pennsylvania's nearly 1.8 million schoolchildren; and

Whereas, Mr. Gluck's more than five years of service to the Department were central to efforts to enact a rational basic education funding formula; significant reforms to improve college awareness, access, and completion; dramatic progress in expanding the use of educational technology; and establishment of rigorous state-level high school graduation requirements; and

Whereas, these reforms have helped Pennsylvania lead the nation in steady and substantial gains in academic achievement in schools across the Commonwealth and will ensure our state's young people graduate ready for success.

Now, Therefore, Be It

Resolved: That the State Board of Education thanks Thomas E. Gluck for his tireless efforts on behalf of Pennsylvania's education community, and wishes him continued success in his new capacity as the Senior Advisor to the Pennsylvania Association of Intermediate Units.

Signed

Joseph M. Torsella, Chairman

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