

**Resolution Honoring
DR. FRANCIS MICHELINI
Member, State Board of Education
1995-2015**

- Whereas,*** Dr. Francis Michelini served as an active member of the State Board of Education since his appointment by Governor Tom Ridge in June 1995; and
- Whereas,*** Dr. Michelini was named Chairman of the Council of Higher Education by Governor Mark Schweiker in December 2002; and
- Whereas*** In his capacity as Council Chairman, he oversaw major revisions to regulations governing the preparation and certification of professional personnel in public schools; guided the crafting of a Master Plan for Higher Education; and provided strategic leadership for proposing modernizations to that Master Plan; and
- Whereas,*** Dr. Michelini played an integral role in enriching the Board’s policymaking by adding a student voice to its deliberations, helping to secure grant funding to establish seats for student members; chairing the Ad Hoc Committee that designed the current student membership program; and serving as the Board’s liaison to its student members, and
- Whereas,*** Dr. Michelini’s distinguished career as a collegiate faculty member, President of Wilkes College, and President of the Commission for Independent Colleges and Universities exemplified a professional commitment to education; now therefore be it
- Resolved:*** That the members of the State Board of Education hereby express their sincere appreciation and highest tribute to our friend and colleague Dr. “Mike” for his faithful service and invaluable contributions to education in this Commonwealth.

Given under my hand and our seal
this 11th day of March 2015

Larry Wittig
Chairman