



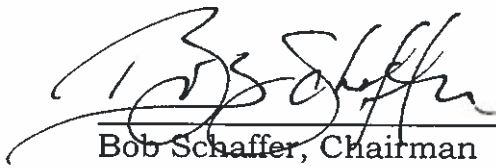
Colorado State Board of Education


STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF INTERNATIONAL TEACHER EXCHANGES

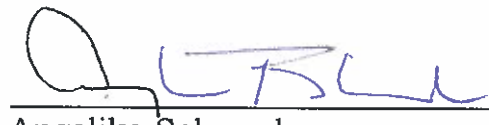
- WHEREAS: International Teacher Exchanges, including the Fulbright Teacher Exchange and the Australia/New Zealand Educator Exchange, have been in place in Colorado since 1946; and
- WHEREAS: More than 50 school districts, charter and private schools, and tertiary institutions have sent Colorado teachers to other countries and hosted international exchange teachers; and
- WHEREAS: Over 400 Colorado and international educators have participated in direct teacher exchanges in the last 25 years; and
- WHEREAS: Colorado has more educator exchanges per capita than any other state in the United States; and
- WHEREAS: International Teacher Exchanges benefit students, staffs, and communities in Colorado, by increasing their global awareness; now, therefore
- BE IT RESOLVED That the Colorado State Board of Education fully endorses Teacher Exchange Programs in Colorado, including the Australia/New Zealand Educator Exchange Program and the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program, as a staff development and community enrichment resource for Colorado schools.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Colorado International Teachers' Exchange League, the Colorado Association of School Executives, the Colorado Association of School Boards, the Colorado League of Charter Schools, the Charter


School Institute, the Colorado Commission on Higher Education, the Colorado Congress of Foreign Language Teachers, the Colorado Education Association, the Colorado Federation of Teachers, the Colorado Parent Teacher Association, Governor Bill Ritter Jr., Lt. Governor Barbara O'Brien and Michael Gass, co-chairs of the P-20 Council, and the House and Senate Education Committees.

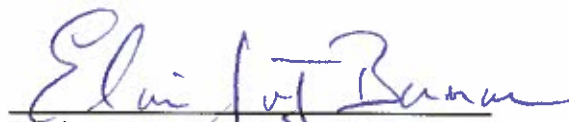
Dated this 10th Day of June, 2009.



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