

## State Board of Education Ceremonial Resolution To Honor State Board of Education Member Zachary Parker CR22-36

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia State Board of Education (State Board) recognizes Zachary Parker and his dedicated service on behalf of the residents of Ward 5 in improving educational outcomes for students since joining the State Board in January 2019;

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Parker is a former Teach for America educator and award-winning seventh grade math teacher, having previously taught in New Orleans, and is committed to improving outcomes for Ward 5 students through sound policy;

**WHEREAS,** among Mr. Parker's notable leadership roles on the State Board included his authoring of the State Board's Equity Statement and Framework, which centers equity across all of the State Board's work:

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Parker's stewardship and leadership played a pivotal role in ensuring equitable access to education during the COVID-19 pandemic by partnering with the Ward 5 Education Equity Committee to raise over \$12,000 to provide over 300 students with school supplies and critical virtual learning materials;

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Parker served as President of the State Board in 2021, co-chaired the Well-Rounded Education Committee in 2020 and the COVID-19 Task Force in 2021, and contributed to numerous other committees and working groups; and

**WHEREAS**, under his leadership, the State Board expanded support for students with disabilities and those experiencing homelessness and ensured full funding for the Birth-to-Three for All D.C. Act of 2018.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the District of Columbia State Board of Education honors Ward 5 Representative Zachary Parker on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of December in the year 2022 for his outstanding service and leadership.

Date Adopted: <u>December 21, 2022</u>

Signed:

Jessica Sutter, President



