



Resolution in Honor of Erlinda R. Arellano

Whereas, Erlinda R. Arellano attended college in the nation of her birth, Philippines, having graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Santo Tomas, in Manila, with a degree in Accounting; and

Whereas, Erlinda R. Arellano, immigrated to the United States 40 years ago in pursuit of the American Dream, for herself and for her family; and

Whereas, Erlinda R. Arellano, first worked in Buffalo, New York in 1981, and then in Clifton, New Jersey from 1983 through 2000 as an accountant; and

Whereas, Erlinda Arellano was hired to work with Passaic Public Schools in 2000, dedicating 20 years of her professional career to the school community, as an Accountant/Fixed Asset Coordinator from 2000 to 2004, Budget Manager/Assistant Comptroller from 2004 to 2005, Comptroller from 2005 to 2011, Assistant School Business Administrator 2011 to 2014, and School Business Administrator from 2014 through the end of December 2020; and

Whereas, Erlinda R. Arellano has been honorably affiliated with the Passaic County Association of School Business Officials, New Jersey Association of School Business Officials, Association of School Business Officials International, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants; and

Whereas, Erlinda Arellano is legally certified as a New Jersey School Business Administrator, Certified Public Accountant, Public School Accountant, Chartered Global Management Accountant, as well as licensed as a New Jersey Notary Public; and

Whereas, Passaic Public Schools, under the financial management and leadership of Erlinda Arellano, has been recognized by The Association of School Business Officials International with a Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting (COE) for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) of the fiscal year ending in 2019; and

Whereas, The Association of School Business Officials International Certificate of Excellence Award is issued annually to recognize outstanding school districts that have met the program's highest standards for financial reporting and transparency; and

Whereas, the Passaic Board of Education relies on the ability of a School Business Administrator to help ensure the integrity, financial acumen, as well as strong leadership continuously drives our school districts' finances, strategic mission, and vision of the organization; and

Whereas, The Passaic Board of Education is proud of the accolades our school district has received as a result of the dedicated service and passion of Erlinda Arellano; and

Whereas, Erlinda R. Arellano, is a pillar of our community, having been involved in many causes related to philanthropic, cultural and social activities, widely recognized as a true leader and supporter of Passaic;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, the Passaic Board of Education expresses its deepest appreciation for the commitment, extraordinary service, exemplary leadership and fruitful contributions of Erlinda R. Arellano to the welfare of all students and citizens of Passaic, in her service as our School Business Administrator.

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