## MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION Rockville, Maryland

March 21, 2013

## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Members of the Board of Education

Christopher S. Barclay, President histopher & Sarclay From:

In Remembrance of Mr. Wayne E. Whigham Subject:

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Board of Education is saddened by the death on March 14, 2013, of Mr. Wayne E. Whigham, Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) Director of the Appeals/Transfer team and who for almost four decades served MCPS with distinction in various capacities as a teacher, assistant principal, principal, director of the Appeals/Transfer Team, and president of the Montgomery County Association of Administrators and Principals; and

WHEREAS, In his 37-year career as an educator, an instructional leader, and a mentor, Mr. Whigham was relentless in modeling high expectations for every child and adult in the classroom by insisting, through personal example, that the school house must reach inside each child and help them grow and excel to their maximum potential; and

WHEREAS, Among Mr. Whigham's numerous achievements, he transformed the Appeals/Transfer Team office into a highly regarded resource for parents and school-based personnel by combining his passion for his work with his ability to connect and create respectful relationships with students and adults through deep concern and boundless humor; and

WHEREAS, As a life-long educator, Mr. Whigham was a reassuring presence in the MCPS village, always willing to lend a hand in creating a welcoming community using his gregarious personality and his skills as a musician; and, he earned a reputation as a caring, compassionate, and inspiring leader with an unrelenting passion for instilling in every human being a love for life and learning; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education honors the life of Mr. Wayne E. Whigham for his passionate dedication to serving the students and staff of Montgomery County Public Schools, his skills, his commitment to advocate for the needs of every child, and for helping to make Montgomery County Public Schools a welcoming place for all; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Mr. Wayne E. Whigham.

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