

A RESOLUTION HONORING DR. ARTHUR WILLIAMS, PRINCIPAL OF ANN ARBOR
HURON HIGH SCHOOL

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JULY 9, 2014

WHEREAS, Dr. Arthur Williams was born and raised in Chicago, completed a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science at Western Illinois University, a Master of Arts in Educational Administration and Supervision from Roosevelt University, and a Doctor of Philosophy in Educational Administration and Policy Studies from Northwestern University ; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Williams' extensive career in secondary education has spanned more than forty six years, seven school districts, and five states; beginning as a classroom teacher in the Chicago Public Schools system; and

WHEREAS, in 1995 Dr. Williams was selected to serve as the principal of Ann Arbor Public School's Huron High School, a position he has held for 19 years; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, the school and its students have received national acclaim for excellence, as evidenced by multiple selections as one of the nation's best high schools by Newsweek, US News and World Report, and the Washington Post, and 8 Huron students being named Presidential Scholars; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Williams has led many successful efforts to improve and expand the Huron campus to better the academic, artistic, and athletic opportunities for his students, including building a new theatre, constructing Riverbank Stadium, opening a student greenhouse store, and making improvements to the Dome Gym; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Williams' leadership of Huron High School has created a remarkably stable, safe, and caring school environment, where the positive social and academic environments and an expectation of success for each student has had an indelible positive impact on the lives of countless students, families, and staff, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Williams is retiring after 19 years of service as principal of Huron High School, having constantly made the choice to make each and every day great for all he met;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby honors and expresses its sincere appreciation to Dr. Arthur Williams for a life's work which has greatly improved the Ann Arbor Public Schools, the City of Ann Arbor, and Washtenaw County.

Yousef Rabhi, Chair
Washtenaw County Commissioner- District 8