

Whereas, Mr. Tony DeMasi, with dedication, detail and and humor, served as school board member for 22 years;

Whereas, Mr. DeMasi with a deep concern for the condition of the school's facilities, oversaw numerous facility renovations at the Burke Town School and served as the chair of the KESD Facilities Committee;

Whereas, Mr. DeMasi could be found at any given moment in a boiler room, understanding the inside and out of each school;

Whereas, Mr. DeMasi regularly drove to Lyndon given all weather, attending meetings, reviewing and signing warrants / invoices, supporting our children and our education system and always arriving early;

Whereas, Mr. DeMasi served as chair, vice chair, committee chair, union negotiator, member, greeter, and through it all listened to public comment and heard the concerns of the citizens with genuine appreciation for feedback;

Whereas, Mr. DeMasi responded to questions of the pubic, board members, and employees no matter how small or significant, at any hour, on any day, always willing to support our educators and school system;

Whereas, Mr. DeMasi continually sought equity in and between our schools -- to meet the needs of all different types of learners, he championed the hands-on learner and the underserved;

Whereas, once a year you could see Mr. DeMasi all dressed up in his suit and tie at Burke graduation, and the rest of the year (no matter how cold) in his sweatshirt, jeans, and boots;

Whereas, for years Tony greeted students as they arrived at the Burke Town School, waving, smiling, saying hello and with a positive demeanor welcomed children to school, he knew almost all their names;

Whereas, even though his twenty plus years as a board member will sunset tomorrow evening, Mr. DeMasi will be missed tremendously and can always have a chair at the school table;

Be it resolved, on this 6th day of March, 2023 that we, the Kingdom East School District, thank Mr. Tony DeMasi for his service, commitment and dedication; We wish him the very best in the years to come.