Board of Education Nutley, New Jersey

May 21, 1979

A Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Town of Nutley, New Jersey, was held in the Board Room, 149 Chestnut Street, on Monday, May 21, 1979, at 7:30 p.m., in order that the present Board of Education may complete pending business prior to the organization of the new Board. Mr. Louis F. Williams, President, presided.

FLAG SALUTE:

The meeting was opened with Mrs. Wightman leading the Board members and citizens in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

ROLL CALL:

The other members present at roll call were: Mrs. Roy Imhoff, Mr. Walter S. Lindstrom, Mr. Carl Perez, Mrs. Bernard Rabinowitz, Mr. Gerard T. Restaino, Mr. Robert Rusignuolo, Mr. Frank V. Tangorra, and Mrs. John Wightman. Approximately 45 citizens were present.

MINUTES:

Copies of the minutes of the Special Meeting held on April 27, 1979, at 7:30 p.m., being in the hands of each member, reading of same was dispensed. Mr. Perez moved that the minutes be approved, seconded by Mrs. Rabinowitz, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Copies of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 30, 1979, at 8:00 p.m., being in the hands of each member, reading of same was dispensed. Mr. Perez moved that the minutes be approved, seconded by Mrs. Rabinowitz, and unanimously approved by the Board.

COMMUNICATIONS;

Mr. Ramsland presented and read the following communications:

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A letter from Mario DiMaggio:

"As reported by 'The Star Ledger' on Tuesday, May 1, 1979, the Nutley Board of Education passed a resolution to spearhead a drive to change the school board election from a Tuesday to a Sunday. The reason presented is for the encouragement of voter turn-out.

"I am appalled and chagrined that this august body of men and women took it upon themselves to pass a resolution without publicized evidence of having sought the advice of the Nutley Council of Churches or without having attempted to gather data as to whether this action would in fact, precipitate an increase in voter turn-out.

"The board attempted to compare the sociological reasons for greater voter turn-out in European countries to reasons for the lack of voter turn-out in this country. Such an analogy is incongruous.

"I emphatically appeal to the Nutley Board of Education to rescind their vote."

A letter from Rev. Joseph Barbone, Associate Pastor, Holy Family R.C. Church:

"I read with great disappointment as well as surprise of your intention to shift the school elections from Tuesday to Sunday next year. As a clergyman in town, I am very much opposed to that kind of a decision, It used to be that Sunday was a respected day of rest and worship, for those who chose to do that. Now, it seems that Sunday is just another day, and that whatever could be done on the other six could also be done very easily on Sunday.

"I think the shift would not bring out more people to vote, in fact, it might discourage. But more importantly, what the board seems to be saying is that the school elections are just as important as Sunday Church Services, that there is no difference and that you are asking people to make a choice between church and the elections. I find that ludicrous, as well as an insult to those congregations in town that have services on Sunday.

"If holding school board elections on a Sunday is so important, and that Sunday is no different than any of the other days, then why not ask the town commissioners to hold their elections on a Sunday also, and ask the Chamber of Commerce to ask all the merchants in town to remain open on Sunday and ask all the Churches in town to close on Sunday. Since there is no real difference between one day and the next, I am sure we can find another day to worship, or is that making it too inconvenient for the people of the town?

"I think you are making a mistake for wanting to do this, for whatever the reason is, and I will do whatever I can to oppose this decision, both privately and publicly. I feel it is an outrage against the people of this town as well as the clergy of the various churches who serve them, and I think it must be reconsidered.

"Thank you."

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A letter from Rev. George A. Downes, Trinity Chapel of the Christian and Missionary Alliance:

"Please be advised that I am in total agreement with Rev. Joseph Barbone's recent communication to you regarding the change of school elections from Tuesday to Sunday.

"It is my firm belief that the casting aside of the mandate of God, to hold this day sacred has resulted in a break-down of the real principles of life, not only seen in the home, but more pronounced in society at large.

"When Sunday was considered a family day of worship, it was then that our nation was building character, and molding an image that we were all proud of. Surely, if our elected representatives would once again schedule their functions to encourage Sunday worship, I am certain that we would begin to see the establishing of renewed moral values, both in our homes and in the community.

"I sincerely hope you will reconsider this dreadful intention."

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A letter from Wade A. Renn, Rector, Grace Church in Nutley:

"I wish to support the Rev'd Joseph Barbone's opposition to your plan to hold School Board elections on Sunday. I consider this, along with retail operations, to be an affront to our Judaic Christian principles.

"In addition, such a maneuver will not solve the problem of voter turn-out. Voter apathy is the symptom of deeper problems in our society and political system. We in the churches and synagogue are trying to define that problem and help resolve it with our people by stressing our civic responsibilities. We ask you to help us to help you by keeping Saturdays and Sundays free for worship and rest."

A letter from Gwendolyn Canfield, Chairperson, Board of Deacons, St. Paul's Congregational Church:

"On behalf of the Board of Deacons of St. Paul's Congregational Church I should like to express opposition to the suggested recommendation that School elections be held on Sundays. We feel that your Board did not fully explore all the ramifications of this proposal but acted and reacted hastily to poor voter turnout. The number of business people who, at the last minute, are called away from Nutley on election day will not compare to the numbers who feel indignation over the scheduling of a civil election on the Sabbath.

"We are convinced that when this issue is thoroughly investigated it will become obvious that this is not the way to combat voter apathy. Interest and enthusiasm must be engendered previous to election day. Changing elections so they occur on Sundays will not only alienate those who believe this should be a day free of governmental activities and reserved primarily for religious and family observances but will also cause additional expenses due to overtime for custodial and cafeteria workers. Principals, secretaries, poll workers, and administrative overseers can not fairly be required to work on a day which in this country has traditionally been for them a time to engage in personal activities.

"We hope your wisdom will cause you to withdraw this resolution."

A letter from Reverend Leonard A. Jones, Franklin Reformed Church;

"I am writing to express my concern about School Board Elections being held on Sundays. While I have not polled either the congregation of the Franklin Reformed Church or the Nutley Clergy Fellowship, I am in a position to know the state of mind of both organizations.

"I believe that the people whom I represent would really prefer that elections not be held on Sundays. Christians generally feel about Sunday as Jews do about the Sabbath, that the day should be reserved, as much as possible, for religious and personal matters. To require people to attend to civic and business responsibilities is an intrusion that we resist.

"I am sympathetic with the Board's wish to make it more convenient for people to vote. I do feel, however, that if people want to vote, they will find a way, whatever the day of the week."

A letter from Dorothy R. Faulkner:

"I was very concerned to read in the Star Ledger that the Nutley Board of Education voted 6-3 to 'spearhead' a movement to have voting for school candidates changed to Sunday in hopes of bringing out more voters.

"This is wishful thinking. There are the people who faithfully come out to vote at all elections in Nutley, and there are those who <u>never</u> vote no matter what you do.

"Have you considered the extra cost of opening the schools on Sunday, the heat and lights, overtime for the janitors, cost of preparing and serving dinner to the Board workers, plus the necessary presence of the principals to say nothing of the volunteers, many of whom have served for years?

"On a more personal note, I would not work at an election on Sunday nor would I vote, and I am sure that many of the people who have supported you in the past feel the same way.

"I am surprised at the present Board, many of whom I worked for personally and all of whom I helped to elect, to propose such a change as I can see no valid reason for such an action."

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A petition signed by 85 people stating the following:

"We, the Undersigned, object to your plan to hold Board of Education elections on a Sunday, and urge you to reconsider your proposal. We agree that there is a need to have a larger voter turnout, but we do not feel that holding elections on a Sunday is in the best interests of the community. We believe that it is the responsibility of every Christian to vote; we also believe that the Lord's day should not be used in this manner."

9. A letter from John W. Bresnahan:

"I received your letter of 5/1/79, and feel that the effort that was put into this project was well worth it.

"I would like to specifically thank the members of the Board of Education for their unanimous vote in accepting the uniforms for the Varsity Football Team.

"I do feel strongly that this will be one of the areas which will bring back the football program and the entire athletic program from what I feel is at a low point.

"I feel that the Board of Education, although many times criticized, has the integrity to make an objective decision and I think this is an example for everyone in town to show what can be done if an idea is presented in the right way, going through proper channels.

"I would not have been successful if it were not for the members of the Board of Education giving me the opportunity to present my feelings at a meeting in which no outside person was to speak.

"Certainly the football players benefit by your decision, and that is my main objective. Some people have hailed this as a victory and feel is an example of the objectivity and integrity of the Board of Education, which I know is often times criticized for being antieverything.

"I did feel after the meeting I attended, that I received a fair hearing and that even if the gift were to be turned down, I would receive a reasonable explanation. I did state this to many people who were very negative about the outcome of the Board of Education's decision.

"I want to thank Carl Perez for inviting me to the meeting, the Superintendent, and everyone on the Board, not just for the decision but for the opportunity to be heard and the courtesy shown by all members.

"I do want to say that I firmly believe what I stated to you in my presentation about my concern for the deterioration of the football athletic program and fan participation. I would be interested in the decisions concerning the football program and might have to present other ideas to you in the future. Once the program is back on its feet and in a stable situation, I feel confident that I can get back to my daily routine.

"I would like to keep the avenues of communication open both as a concerned citizen and as the President of the Football-Wrestling Booster Club. I have indicated to the members of my club that we must have communication with the Board of Education and the Administration, in order that we have both sides of sometimes controversial decisions.

"I feel that the Booster Wrestling Club was needed at this particular time and that sometime in the future it may not be needed to this degree, but right now I do not feel that it will become a pressure group as long as I am President but rather a positive group of people trying to achieve goals that would benefit the youth in Nutley.

"In my presentation I indicated to you that as football went so went the rest of the athletic program. If we as a club are successful in promoting the football and wrestling program, I believe that this will help the other sports. We will know this somewhere in June, 1980. I hope I am right for the entire Town of Nutley. Thank you again."

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Mr. Ramsland presented and read the following report:

"We have received word from the State Department of Education that our Compensatory Education State Aid for 1978-79 will be 97.73% of our entitlement. However, the availability of unexpended funds from last year will boost this to 99.9%. Equalization Aid will finish up at 99.33% of our entitlement.

"The State Department of Education has also acknowledged receipt of the preliminary plans for replacement of asbestos ceilings at Nutley High School. I have, however, instructed the architect to put this project on 'Hold' until the matter of possible state or federal funding comes into somewhat clearer focus.

"For the current school year through May 19, 1979, our transportation department has made 246 athletic trips and 105 field trips for a total of 351 trips. Of these, 23 were made with chartered buses and 328 with our own vehicles and drivers. A complete analysis, together with actual costs and comparison with estimated charter cost, will be prepared at the end of next month.

"During the first three weeks of this month, 38 lights of window and door glass were replaced. As of a week ago Friday, glass replacement was completely up to date. Unfortunately, such a status does not last very long. We're enjoying the beautiful Spring weather, but with it comes the Spring 'Break'.

"Fire drills held during the months of April and May were as follows:

April	30	Franklin School	9:25 a.m.	2 min.
April	30	Spring Garden School	ll:ll a.m.	l min. 15 secs.
May	1	Lincoln School	2:07 p.m.	l min. 24 secs.
May	7	Nutley High School	2:48 p.m.	2 min.
May	8	Washington School	12:50 p.m.	l min. 15 secs.
May	10	Franklin School	8:34 a.m.	2 min. 10 secs.
May	16	Yantacaw School	9:45 a.m.	l min. 26 secs."

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Ramsland presented the financial report as of April 30, 1979, showing total funds available of \$10,829,210.45, contractual orders to date of \$9,719,938.73, leaving a balance of funds available of \$1,109,271.72.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Fadule presented and read the following report:

"The schedule for graduation and promotion exercises is listed below:

High School rain dates	June 13, June 14,	1979 15, 1979	6:30 p.m.
Franklin School rain date	June 20, June 21,		9:30 a.m.
Washington School	June 15,	1979	2:00 p.m.
Lincoln School	June 18,	1979	l:15 p.m.
Spring Garden School	June 19,	1979	2:00 p.m.
Radcliffe School	June 20,	1979	2:00 p.m.
Yantacaw School	June 21,	1979	2:00 p.m.
Special Education	June 21,	1979	10:00 a.m., Lincoln School

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"The Nutley High School Music and Arts Festival was conducted on May 10 and 11, 1979.

"The National Honor Society induction for juniors was held on May 2, 1979 in the high school auditorium.

"The Junior Olympics were conducted on May 17, 1979.

"The Social Studies Committee will meet on Saturday, June 9, 1979 at the Franklin School."

CAFETERIA REPORT:

Mr. Perez presented the cafeteria report as of April 30, 1979 showing a cash balance as of July 1, 1978 of \$6,521.50, total receipts of \$206,506.57, total disbursements of \$187,180.24, leaving a balance of \$25,847.83. Total "A" lunch - 18,009. Total milk sold - 14,781. Free lunches - 2,549. Reduced price lunches - 906. School days - 15.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Agenda Items Only):

Mr. John Stampone, President, Holy Family Parish Council, read the following letter:

"At our May 10 Parish Council meeting, it was brought to our attention that a news item appeared in the Star Ledger stating that the Nutley Board of Education has resolved to change the voting day for the election of Board Members from a Tuesday to a Sunday. The purpose of this change? Because of poor voter turnout. Do you really think your voter turnout will improve? The hours the polls are now open are adequate for all to vote who wish to.

"We, as Members of the Holy Family Parish Council, oppose this change to Sunday.

"Nutley is a predominantly christian community and as such should have Sunday set aside as a day of worship without any political overtones.

"We are sure there are other avenues you could pursue to improve voter turnout. A greater turnout may be realized if the Board of Education election is held in conjunction with a town or state election. There are many, many possibilities before resorting to a Sunday.

"We strongly recommend that you explore these alternatives and reconsider your proposition.

"Again, let us make our position clear, we are opposed to any change to Sunday voting."

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

Mr. Restaino presented the following music awards from the Nutley Board of Education:

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Jackets

Lydia Bruno Philip Echo Brian Farias All-State Chorus All-State Band All-State Band

Certificates

Jon Welch Frances Capalbo All-State Band All-State String Orchestra

BILLS AND MANDATORY PAYMENTS:

Mr. Perez presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Tangorra. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education authorizes the payment of bills and mandatory payments in the total amount of \$919,868.96 as per the attached Schedule A, which have been audited by the Business Department.

REQUESTS FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

Mr. Perez presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Rabinowitz, and unanimously approved by the Board:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves the requests for the use of school buildings and grounds (Schedule B), provided they conform to the rules and regulations set by the Board of Education.

AMENDED LEAVE OF ABSENCE -Teacher: Mrs. Nancy Francischetti

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Mr. Lindstrom presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Tangorra. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, a childrearing leave of absence for Mrs. Nancy Francischetti was approved on April 30, 1979, effective September 1, 1979 for the 1979-1980 school year,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That this childrearing leave of absence be amended to show the effective date of October 31, 1979 for the remainder of the 1979-1980 school year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That any request for an extension of this leave must be submitted to the Superintendent of Schools on or before April 1, 1980.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE - Teacher:

Mrs. Patricia Keating

Mr. Lindstrom presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Rabinowitz. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Mrs. Patricia Keating was granted a maternity leave of absence on March 6, 1979 to begin twenty school days after the birth of her child through June 30, 1979,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the childrearing leave of absence be effective May 19, 1979 through June 30, 1979, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Mrs. Patricia Keating be granted an extension of her childrearing leave of absence for the 1979-1980 school year, effective September 1, 1979.

RETIREMENT - Teacher:

Mrs. Clara Bloom

Mrs. Imhoff presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Tangorra, and unanimously approved by the Board:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the retirement of Mrs. Clara Bloom, fifth grade teacher in Yantacaw School, be accepted, effective June 30, 1979.

RETIREMENT - Teacher:

Mrs. Mary Franklin

Mrs. Imhoff presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Lindstrom, and unanimously approved by the Board:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the retirement of Mrs. Mary Franklin, high school English teacher, be accepted, effective June 30, 1979.

RESIGNATION - Secretary:

Mrs. Margaret McKnight

Mrs. Imhoff presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Wightman, and unanimously approved by the Board:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the resignation of Mrs. Margaret McKnight, secretary in the Business Office, be accepted, effective May 18, 1979.

RESIGNATION - Teacher:

Mrs. Ann McMillan

Mrs. Rabinowitz presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Wightman, and unanimously approved by the Board:

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BE IT RESOLVED, That the resignation of Mrs. Ann McMillan, high school English teacher, be accepted, effective June 30, 1979.

APPOINTMENTS - Custodial Substitutes:

Mrs. Rabinowitz presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Lindstrom. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following be appointed as custodial substitutes at the rate of pay of \$3.75 per hour, for the remainder of the 1978-1979 school year:

Mrs. Agnes Carracino	effective May 8,	1979
Mr. Stephen Hayes	effective May 9,	1979

APPOINTMENTS - Teacher Substitutes:

Mrs. Rabinowitz presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Lindstrom. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the teacher substitutes listed on the attached Schedule C be approved for the 1978-1979 school year.

SOCIAL STUDIES TRAINING SESSION:

Mr. Rusignuolo presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Rabinowitz. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following people who completed a Social Studies training session on May 5, 1979, be paid as follows:

Spring Garden School		
Mrs. Elaine Capozzi	-	\$40
Miss Carol O'Hara		\$40
Radcliffe School		
Miss Pamela Tsairis	معد	\$40
Mrs. Betty Zabriskie	63.4	\$40
Yantacaw School		
Miss Adele Koci	-	\$40
Miss Adele Koci Mrs. Judith Story	eno 880	\$40 \$40

Lincoln School Miss Patricia Griffin - \$40 Miss Janet Langston - \$40

Franklin School Mr. James Vivinetto - \$60 Mr. Gregory Rhodes - \$40

PLACEMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENT:

Mr. Rusignuolo presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Lindstrom. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 46 of Title 18A, New Jersey Education Statutes, the Board of Education of the Town of Nutley authorizes the attendance of the following Nutley student at Special Education classes for the remainder of the 1978-1979 school year, at the annual rate as follows:

School	No. of Students	Classification	Tuition Per Pupil	Effective
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Child Development Center Bloomfield, New Jersey	1	T . M . R .	\$5900	May 2, 1979

CLOSING OF SCHOOLS - May 25, 1979:

Mr. Restaino presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Rabinowitz, and unanimously approved by the Board:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Nutley Board of Education approve the closing of schools on Friday, May 25, 1979.

RESCHEDULING OF CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS:

Mr. Restaino presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Tangorra, and unanimously approved by the Board:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the cheerleading tryouts which were conducted originally on April 26, 1979 be rescheduled because of irregularities.

POLICY - Acceptance of Gifts:

Mr. Tangorra presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Lindstrom. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby adopts the following policy on acceptance of gifts:

From time to time, individuals and/or organizations express a desire to purchase an item of equipment or other commodity of value, or perform a service for the Board, a specific school, or a particular discipline or sport. Such a gift shall be accepted by the Board only under the following conditions:

- a) The item meets or exceeds the specifications which the Board would establish if it were purchasing it from Board funds.
- b) Acceptance of the item will not require the Board to expend undue amounts of money or manpower to maintain it.
- c) The Board accepts no obligation to replace the item when its useful life is past.
- d) The Board obtains unqualified title to the item and may use or dispose of same at its sole discretion.

All offers of gifts shall be reported to the Board in writing through the Superintendent or Board Secretary.

ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION:

Mr. Tangorra presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Lindstrom. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, at the April 30, 1979 meeting of the Board of Education a resolution requesting the New Jersey School Boards Association to seek legislation to amend the statutes requiring voting on the first Tuesday in April to allow a local board to conduct its voting on a Sunday was passed on a 5 - 3 vote, and

WHEREAS, there has been significant community response to this resolution since its passage,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board reconsider the above mentioned resolution and withdraw its request to the New Jersey School Boards Association.

TESTIMONIAL:

Manuel Cantor

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Mrs. Wightman presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Rabinowitz, and unanimously approved by the Board:

WHEREAS, Mr. Manuel Cantor has tendered his resignation as a teacher in the Nutley Public Schools, effective June 30, 1979, and has signified his intention of retiring from active service, and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Cantor has worked in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of fourteen years,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Mr. Cantor its deep appreciation of his long and faithful service, and extends to him its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Mr. Manuel Cantor.

TESTIMONIAL:

Mrs. Virginia Cole

Mrs. Wightman presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Rabinowitz, and unanimously approved by the Board:

WHEREAS, Mrs. Virginia Cole has tendered her resignation as a secretary in the Nutley Public Schools, effective July 27, 1979, and has signified her intention of retiring from active service, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cole has worked in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of seventeen and one-half years,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Mrs. Cole its deep appreciation of her long and faithful service, and extends to her its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Mrs. Virginia Cole.

TESTIMONIAL:

Mrs. Anne C. Pendergast

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Mrs. Wightman presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Tangorra, and unanimously approved by the Board:

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne C. Pendergast has tendered her resignation as a teacher/nurse in the Nutley Public Schools, effective June 30, 1979, and has signified her intention of retiring from active service, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Pendergast has worked in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of twenty-two years,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Mrs. Pendergast its deep appreciation of her long and laithful service, and extends to her its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Mrs. Anne Pendergast.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Mr. Williams commented that since the Organizational Meeting would follow he would like to request that Hearing of Citizens be deferred until then.

Mr. Williams stated that the Board would miss Robert Rusignuolo who had served the Board well, and he knew that it was a very difficult decision for Bob to make. He further commented that the Board would particularly miss Bob's witticisms. Mr. Williams continued by thanking each and every Board member for their support during the last year which he had served as their President. He hoped the people of Nutley would take note of the conscientiousness and dedication of the Board, not only in Nutley but also in the entire state. He specifically thanked Carl Perez for a job well done as Vice President, Dr. Fadule for his support and guidance, and Mr. Ramsland for the many extra jobs and pieces of information he has requested which were so time-consuming.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Restaino commented that he had sat next to Bob Rusignuolo during the last year, and he had heard more witticisms in his ear from Bob than most of the Board, and he would surely miss Bob. He further stated that Mr. Rusignuolo had been a definite asset to the Board, and his intelligent comments would be missed.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion made by Mr. Lindstrom, seconded by Mr. Tangorra, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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