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## CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Hartford

### TO BE PROPOSED: June 14, 2017

- WHEREAS,** Sarah Lemay, of Northfield, has demonstrated exceptional skill and proficiency in the four subject areas of the high school equivalency examination by attaining a total score of 750 on the GED® tests in 2016; and
- WHEREAS,** She is the Connecticut resident with the highest total score on the GED® tests; and
- WHEREAS,** She has brought honor to herself, to the State Board of Education and the State of Connecticut; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED,** That the Connecticut State Board of Education honors Sarah Lemay with great appreciation for her accomplishments in a major adult education endeavor and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

Approved by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ this fourteenth day of June, Two Thousand Seventeen.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dianna R. Wentzell, Secretary  
State Board of Education

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**Hartford**

**TO:** State Board of Education

**FROM:** Dr. Dianna R. Wentzell, Commissioner of Education

**DATE:** June 14, 2017

**SUBJECT:** Recognition of General Educational Development Scholar

*Executive Summary*

**Introduction**

As stipulated in Section 10-5(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, the GED® tests are the approved examination for earning a Connecticut State High School Diploma. The Connecticut State Department of Education annually honors the individual(s) who attained the highest score on the GED® tests during the previous calendar year.

**History/Background**

Connecticut's GED® testing program provides an opportunity for youth and adults not enrolled in school to obtain their high school diploma. Since 1971, it is estimated that more than 162,000 Connecticut residents have earned a State High School Diploma through successful completion of the GED® tests. Currently, the GED® tests are offered at 23 test centers across Connecticut.

**Recommendation and Justification**

I recommend that the State Board of Education recognize Sarah Lemay as the GED® Scholar for 2016. She earned a total score of 750 out of a possible 800, which was the highest score attained in Connecticut during 2016.

Ms. Lemay's achievement brings honor to her, the State Board of Education and the State of Connecticut. I am pleased to recommend her for recognition as the GED® Scholar for 2016.

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