

Resolution of the State Allocation Board honoring Senator Leroy J. Greene upon his retirement

WHEREAS, The Honorable Leroy F. Greene, the dignified and quick-witted Statesman and member of this Board from the 6th Senatorial District, is retiring from the California State Legislature and this Board with a very impressive career dictated by a no-nonsense approach to State government; and

WHEREAS, It is an appropriate time to acknowledge and reflect back on his many accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Leroy F. Greene was elected in 1963 to the California State Legislature as a member of the Assembly and in 1982 was elected to the Senate; and

WHEREAS, Leroy F. Greene has been a member of the State Allocation Board since January 1964, a period of 34 distinguished years; and

WHEREAS, Senator Greene is famous for his school facilities legislation, as he was the major author of the School Building Programs since 1971; the first being in 1971 and called the School Housing Aid for Rehabilitation and Replacement of Structurally Inadequate School Facilities. The Program lasted from 1972 through 1975, when he authored the Leroy F. Greene State School Building Lease-Purchase Law of 1976, which was the primary State funding program for school facilities; and

WHEREAS, Senator Greene has served with distinction as the Chairman of the Senate Education Committee, the Joint Committee on School Facilities and the Special Committee on Critical Thinking and Problem Solving in our Schools. He is also a Fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers; and

WHEREAS, Senator Greene was born in Newark, New Jersey and graduated from Purdue University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering. He moved to California in 1949 where he established and headed Leroy F. Greene and Associates, Consulting Engineers, from 1951 to 1978; and

WHEREAS, Senator Greene's knowledge and experience of school facility issues, earthquake safety, and overall construction background, as well as his discriminating sense of values and sincere interest has contributed immeasurably by providing school facilities for the education of the youth of the State of California and has earned him the respect and admiration of everyone who knows him.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the State Allocation Board hereby express to Senator Leroy F. Greene their sincere appreciation for his lengthy dedicated service, together with the leadership, guidance, and invaluable contributions he has made to this Board and to the school districts of this State; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the members of the State Allocation Board do express to Senator Greene their sincere pleasure in serving with him over the years and wish him good health, happiness, and good fortune in the years ahead; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to Senator Greene as a token of gratitude for his service on the State Allocation Board.

Robin J. Dezember, Chair, representing the Department of Finance

Steve Olsen, representing the Department of General Services

Ann Evans, representing the Superintendent of Public Instruction

Kerry Mazzoni, Assembly Member, 6th District

Ted Lempert, Assembly Member, 21st District

Patrick Johnston, State Senator, 5th District

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Ted W. Dutton, Executive Officer, of the State Allocation Board