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**WHEREAS, Richard Minerley** will retire From the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Public Schools on June 30, 2020 after over nineteen years of service as a loyal member of the Park Middle School staff; and,

**WHEREAS, Richard** approached classroom instruction with unbridled creativity, always using student curiosity to drive his approaches to learning; and,

**WHEREAS, Richard** took a leadership role in his collaboration with his departmental colleagues, most notably in the adoption of the Next Generation Science Standards; and,

**WHEREAS, Richard** served as advisor to the Student Council, the Environmental Club, and the Junior Solar Sprint; and,

**WHEREAS,** in his role as an advisor, **Richard** helped bring countless student-centered activities to Park Middle School over the years, such as the Talentorium, that allowed students to display their creativity and talents; and

**WHEREAS, Richard** was a dedicated and creative teacher who earned the respect and affection of the students and the staff, the administration, and his colleagues in these many years of unselfish commitment to the District,

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**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education recognizes and commends **Richard Minerley** for his outstanding service and extends to him all best wishes for good health and happiness in his well-deserved retirement.