

Proclamation Thanking Marshall & Homer Public School System Superintendents,
Administrators, Faculty and Staff for Supporting our Students and their Families
during the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020 Governor Whitmer ordered the closure of all K-12 schools across the State of Michigan as a necessary step to protect our children, our families, and our overall public health from the coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, during this period of school closure, Marshall and Homer Public School Systems immediately recognized the importance of ensuring our children's access to food was not disrupted. To their credit, the administrators, faculty and support staff within both school districts rose to the challenge and rapidly implemented free breakfast/lunch distribution programs; and

WHEREAS, the quick and compassionate response of these good people was a great comfort to all members of the Albion – Homer communities who recognize a significant number of children rely on the public-school systems for meals; and

WHEREAS, the challenges of distance-learning is compounded in families of modest means and limited access to computers and internet within their homes who would otherwise utilize these resources at community libraries or other locations normally open to the public; and

WHEREAS, the administrators, teachers and support staff have focused on finding solutions to mitigate these technology challenges; and

WHEREAS, the school systems have continued to be an essential community partner in our students' education during this extended period of social distancing and STAY HOME – STAY SAFE; and

WHEREAS, our community depends on these dedicated professionals and their steadfast commitment to our community.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the members of this City Council declare our thanks and appreciation for their leadership and ingenuity which focuses on solutions during this trying time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of ALBION, MICHIGAN on this 6th day of APRIL, in the year 2020.

Honorable _____

Dave Atchison

Mayor City of Albion, Michigan

