

## RESOLUTION

### In recognition of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the North Carolina School Public Relations Association (NCSPPRA)

WHEREAS, in 2020, the North Carolina School Public Relations Association (NCSPPRA) is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as an official chapter of the National School Public Relations Association (NSPRA); and

WHEREAS, Owen Lewis of Greensboro Public Schools petitioned NSPRA on April 10, 1970, to establish a chapter in North Carolina, and the chapter was approved in May; and

WHEREAS, NCSPPRA held its inaugural meeting on July 29, 1970, and Mr. Lewis was elected to serve as the Association's first president; and

WHEREAS, the Association began in 1970 with just 10 members, and now, 50 years later, there are 120 members representing 60 school districts across the state; and

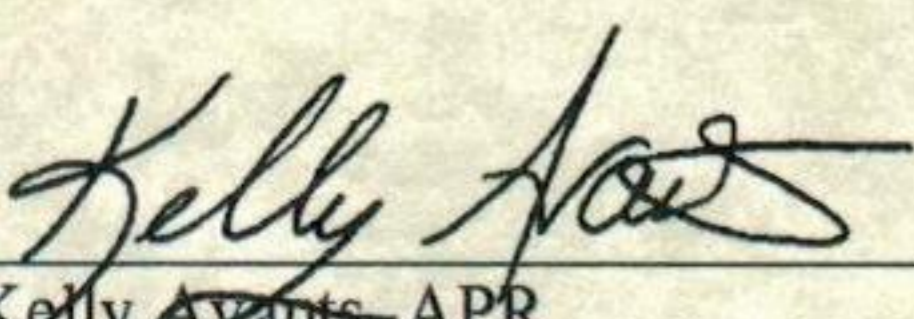
WHEREAS, from its modest beginnings, NCSPPRA has earned the NSPRA Mark of Distinction as one of the most exemplary state chapters in the country and continues to serve as the premier organization for school public relations professionals in North Carolina by providing quality resources, support, networking, and professional development and recognition programs for its members.

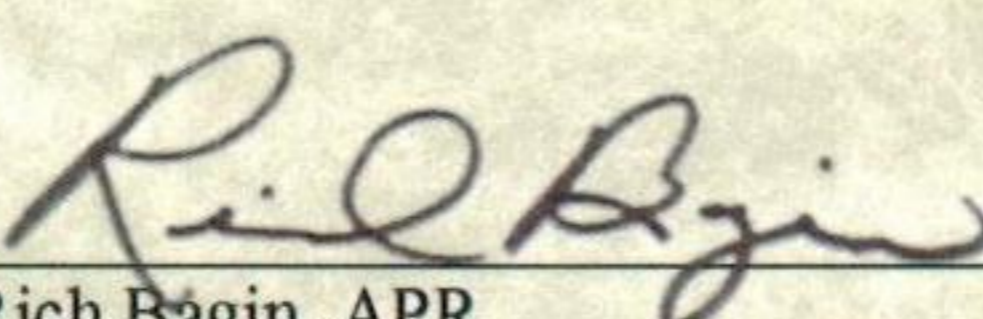
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the National School Public Relations Association is proud to recognize and celebrate the

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and acknowledge the Association's long-standing commitment to the advancement of school public relations and communications in the Tar Heel State and beyond.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be made a part of the minutes of the NSPRA Executive Board, adopted this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

  
Kelly Avants, APR  
NSPRA President

  
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NSPRA Executive Director

