WHEREAS, Gerald J. Hime was a special day class teacher, education-site principal of special education programs, director of special education, adjunct professor at California State University-Fullerton, California State University-Long Beach, and the University of San Diego, due process/client’s rights consultant for the Los Angeles County Office of Education, and consultant-in-charge with the Los Angeles County Office of Education with the Attendance and Administrative Unit of the Division of Student Support Services;

WHEREAS, Gerald Hime is currently an educational consultant in private practice and a hearing officer for disputes related to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973;

WHEREAS, Gerald Hime was the President of the International Council for Exceptional Children (1996-97);

WHEREAS, Gerald Hime served as the Chair of the Program Committee for the 1996 CEC Convention, the CEC Membership Committee, the Yes I Can! Awards Sub Committee, and the Local Arrangements Committee for the 2015 CEC Convention;

WHEREAS, Gerald Hime also served as treasurer and chair of the Finance Committee and chair of the Legislation and Policy Committee for the CEC Council of Administrators of Special Education (CASE) and is the current Executive Director of California CASE;

WHEREAS, Gerald Hime has been an active member in the CEC California State Unit for 50 years serving as president, member-at-large, governor, and the Children’s Action Network (CAN) coordinator, as well as in the Orange County CEC Chapter serving as president, secretary, and holding the position of treasurer for 27 years;

WHEREAS, Gerald Hime has conducted leadership and advocacy training for California CEC members and continues to work with the officers and members affiliated with this unit guiding its governance, program activities, and events all of which have contributed to maintaining the CEC California State Unit as an active state unit of CEC;

WHEREAS, Gerald Hime has worked with the Special Olympics Southern California serving on the Board of Directors and as a member of the Regional Leadership Council of the Special Olympics Orange County;

WHEREAS, Gerald Hime was named a Fellow to the Shaklee Foundation for the Improvement of Special Education (2002) and was recently appointed to the Chapman University Communication Sciences and Disorders Program Advisory Committee;

WHEREAS, Gerald Hime was the recipient of the 2001 Frederick J. Weintraub Outstanding CEC Leadership Award; the 2005 Council of Administrators of Special Education Outstanding Service Award; the 2000, 2003, 2004, and 2005 California Association of Supervisors of Child Welfare and Attendance Outstanding Service Award; and the 2008 Orange County Special Olympics Madeline Evans Humanitarian Award.

NOW, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that, the Council for Exceptional Children, during the Annual Meeting of the Council’s Representative Assembly in Tampa, Florida, the 9th day of February, 2018, and on behalf of the CEC general membership, the CEC California State Unit, and the CEC Council of Administrators of Special Education acknowledges Gerald Hime’s longevity of service and commitment to The Council for Exceptional Children, The CEC California State CEC Unit, and The Council of Administrators of Special Education.