

**BY:** Senator PALUMBO

**CONGRATULATING** Mary Luhrs upon the occasion of her retirement after 20 years of distinguished service as to the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District

**WHEREAS,** It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend outstanding individuals whose enduring commitment and dedication significantly enhance the quality of education in their community; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Mary Luhrs upon the occasion of her retirement after 20 years of distinguished service to the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District, which was celebrated on Tuesday, March 23, 2021, at the monthly Board of Education meeting; and

**WHEREAS,** Mary Luhrs began her long and distinguished career as Executive Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools at Shoreham-Wading River Central School District in 2001; throughout her tenure, she served with six superintendents, and was only the second executive assistant to hold this position in the district's history; and

**WHEREAS,** Dedicated to keeping each and every student safe, Mary Luhrs was always eager to assist her colleagues, became involved in volunteer groups, and oversaw production and proofreading of correspondence, calendars and newsletters; during the COVID-19 pandemic, she took on the role of reporting data to the State of New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Recently, Mary Luhrs and her husband, Rich, relocated to South Carolina, and in her much deserved retirement, she looks forward to relaxing, listening to her favorite Elton John songs, and studying American History; and

**WHEREAS,** For the past 20 years, Mary Luhrs rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District; and

**WHEREAS,** In her capacity as Executive Assistant to Superintendent of Schools, Mary Luhrs served with loyalty, honor and distinction; and

**WHEREAS,** In her official acts, Mary Luhrs was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems; and

**WHEREAS,** During her tenure with the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District, Mary Luhrs earned the admiration, esteem and affection of her colleagues; and

**WHEREAS,** Mary Luhrs has clearly had an enduring impact on the youth of the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District, as well as on the community-at-large, and accordingly merits recognition and applause for

her impressive dedication to others; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Mary Luhrs upon the occasion of her retirement after 20 years of distinguished service to the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District, and to wish her well in all her future endeavors; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mary Luhrs.