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Mr. Kevin Collins
North Road Elementary School
525 North Road
Fenton, MI 48430

Dear Mr. Collins:

Congratulations! You have been nominated for recognition as one of Michigan's excellent teachers. You have been identified as a teacher who:

- is an exceptionally dedicated, knowledgeable, and skilled teacher,
- inspires students of all backgrounds and abilities to learn,
- has the respect and admiration of students, parents, and colleagues,
- plays an active and useful role in the community, as well as in the school,
- is poised and articulate,
- has a minimum of five years of successful teaching experience.

The quality of teaching is the single most influential variable in the achievement of students. Your nomination for Michigan Teacher of the Year (MTOY) acknowledges the quality you bring to students each and every day. I want to thank you for the work you do and express my appreciation for the effort and caring you invest on behalf of students.

MEEMIC Insurance Company, as corporate sponsor of the MTOY program, extends its congratulations and gratitude for all you do to support education in Michigan.

To apply, you must be a highly qualified teacher under the No Child Left Behind Act, teach at least 50% of the school day, and obtain the endorsements of your superintendent and principal. The application is available at www.michigan.gov/mtoy and the deadline is January 7, 2013. Questions regarding the MTOY program may be directed to Ann-Marie Smith, smitha24@michigan.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mike".

Mike Flanagan
State Superintendent

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