



Orange County Board of Education

Resolution in support of

**Mrs. Shannon Braxton
Career & Technical Education (CTE) Leadership**

WHEREAS, The Orange County Schools Board of Education endeavors to provide opportunities for growth and success for all its students, families, and staff; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Shannon Braxton consistently builds and fosters relationships with school and district staff, businesses, students, and community members; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Shannon Braxton was a key member of the CTE Ad Hoc Committee meetings - setting the stage for what CTE is, where OCS CTE currently stands, and where we want OCS CTE to go; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Shannon Braxton created a partnership with the Exceptional Children Services Department of the district and schools to ensure CTE is for ALL students and that students with special needs have their needs met correctly according to their individual plans; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Shannon Braxton's leadership increased industry-recognized credentials from less than 5% to 28.4%; and

WHEREAS, Under Mrs. Shannon Braxton's leadership the Summer Careers Academy became an innovative partnership with Chapel Hill Carrboro City Schools (CHCCS), Home Builders Association, and Carolina Across 100 which provided a summer construction program; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Shannon Braxton's summer leadership drove an increase in interns within the district (Grow our Own) as well as an overall increase in student interns throughout the school year; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Shannon Braxton's CTE leadership on the Business Advisory Council was first evaluated, then combined with CHCCS to better serve both districts and align with business partners, ensuring the right businesses and the right staff were at the table; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Shannon Braxton works throughout our district to remove discarded, old, unused, and damaged equipment to ensure our classrooms and labs are industry-aligned; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Shannon Braxton works throughout our district to ensure we are successfully evaluated by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) CTE state staff in monitoring us for compliance review; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Shannon Braxton ensures we have consistent attention to implementing compliant, high-quality CTE programs with the transition of federal requirements from Perkins IV to V; and

WHEREAS, under Mrs. Shannon Braxton's leadership Orange County Schools was Awarded a CTE modernization grant to provide learning modules in Health Sciences at A. L. Stanback Middle School; and

WHEREAS, under Mrs. Shannon Braxton's leadership Orange County Schools is strategically using funds to provide the resources, staff training, education, credentials (exams), and upgraded equipment; and

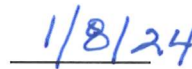
WHEREAS, Mrs. Shannon Braxton's leadership increased, and streamlined marketing of CTE to all families, businesses, and students by promoting and publicizing Orange County Schools' world-class Career and Technical Education Programs, now

THEREFORE, be it resolved that Mrs. Shannon Braxton is being commended for her leadership and work with staff, families, students, and the community in always being focused on evolving and creating a world-class CTE program for Orange County Schools; and,

Be it Further Resolved that the Orange County Schools Board of Education calls forth all members of our school community and our community as a whole to recognize and thank Mrs. Shannon Braxton for all her leadership, creative thinking, and engagement in supporting Career and Technical Education for our community.



Mrs. Anne Purcell
Chair
Orange County Board of Education



Date



Dr. James Merrill
Interim Superintendent
Orange County Schools



Date