## Orange County Schools Board of Education Proclamation to Honor and Recognize Coach Richard Lyons

Whereas, Coach Richard Lyons gave a lifetime of service to educating and mentoring young people; and

Whereas, He served for 30 years as an educator and coach giving 28 years to students in Orange County Schools, including those at Central High School, Orange High School and Stanford Junior High School; and

Whereas, He coached basketball and baseball throughout his career and was recognized for his ability develop players and prepare them to perform at championship levels; and

Whereas, He also taught students in social studies, history, health/physical education and drivers' education, as well as serving in the administration at Central High School; and

Whereas, He created and developed recreation programs at various schools in underserved areas of the county;

Whereas, He touched the lives of many students as a teacher and coach; instilled confidence and brought out qualities in young people they didn't realize they had; and

**Therefore**, be it resolved that the Orange County Schools Board of Education hereby:

**Affirms** its deep appreciation for the dedication and commitment that Coach Richard Lyons so generously gave to the students of Orange County, and that his positive influence on those students is beyond measure.

Adopted this eighth day of April 2024.

Anne Purcell, Chair

Dr. Danjelle Jones, Superintendent