RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Ms. Kelly Smith has served the cause of public education with honor and distinction for the past 18 years; and

WHEREAS, She has demonstrated vision and leadership through her focus on increased student performance and contributing unsparingly her expertise and outstanding human relations skills; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Smith stimulates widespread excitement to her students and the school community through her “One Book, One Dulaney” reading program; and

WHEREAS, As chair of the English department at Dulaney High School, she works with colleagues in English, Science, and Social Studies to infuse critical reading, thinking, and vocabulary skills across a variety of areas of instruction; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Smith helped develop and co-chairs Students Organized for Academic Success, a program that provides support and assistance to challenged students who have demonstrated potential for educational success; and

WHEREAS, Her personal integrity and boundless energy in pursuit of education excellence have served as an outstanding role model for the students, teachers, and staff of the Baltimore County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, In 2005, she was honored by the largest national teacher recognition program in the U.S., as one of only 100 winners of the prestigious Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education, herewith assembled in regular session on the fourteenth day of February, in the year two thousand and six, expresses to Kelly Smith, on behalf of the citizens of this county, our deepest appreciation and gratitude for her service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board herewith extends its best wishes for her good health, happiness, and continued success.

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Thomas G. Grzymski, President   Joe A. Hairston, Secretary-Treasurer

February 14, 2006