In Recognition of Extraordinary Service and Leadership, the National Assessment Governing Board Presents this Resolution in Honor of Dr. Mary Crovo

Whereas, Dr. Crovo is an original National Assessment Governing Board staff member who joined in 1989 to establish the independent bipartisan board created by the U.S. Congress to oversee the National Assessment of Educational Progress, The Nation’s Report Card;

Whereas, among her many noteworthy achievements, Dr. Crovo led the development of all 15 assessment frameworks and specifications in subject areas including reading, mathematics, writing, science, U.S. history, civics, geography, foreign language, economics, arts, and most recently technology and engineering literacy;

Whereas, Dr. Crovo has worked tirelessly on assessment innovations designed to close achievement gaps and be more inclusive of students with disabilities and English language learners, and in support of the Governing Board’s efforts to advance the program’s content, design, and reporting for the benefit of the students, parents, teachers and the American public;

Whereas, Dr. Crovo developed enduring partnerships with the Council of Chief State School Officers, the Council of the Great City Schools, and numerous other national and state-level organizations to ensure the relevance and usefulness of The Nation’s Report Card;

Whereas, in 2005, given her extraordinary service, Dr. Crovo was promoted to Deputy Executive Director, assuming even greater leadership responsibilities while continuing her role supporting the important work of the Governing Board’s Assessment Development Committee;

Whereas, throughout her career, Dr. Crovo earned the utmost respect of leading policymakers, educators and researchers across the nation, as well as senior leaders at the National Center for Education Statistics and the U.S. Department of Education;
Whereas, Dr. Crovo’s commitment to public service extends beyond the federal government, as is evident through her extensive volunteering to maintain and preserve the Appalachian Trail and assist communities with sustainable agricultural practices;

Whereas, Dr. Crovo’s contributions as an intelligent, thoughtful, hard-working, kind, detail-oriented, dedicated, and generous person are unparalleled and will be greatly missed by Governing Board members and the Board’s staff;

Therefore, be it resolved that the National Assessment Governing Board expresses its deepest appreciation for the outstanding contributions made by Dr. Mary Crovo during her 27 years of public service in support of The Nation’s Report Card; and extends its best wishes as she approaches her well-earned retirement; and

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be entered permanently into the minutes of the National Assessment Governing Board.

Signed on this Eighteenth day of November, Two-Thousand and Sixteen

Terry Mazany, Chairman
National Assessment Governing Board