PROCLAMATION
WASS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
NAMED MICHIGAN BLUE RIBBON EXEMPLARY SCHOOL

WHEREAS, In recognition of its outstanding commitment to education, **Wass Elementary School** was named a **2004-2005 Michigan Blue Ribbon Exemplary School** by the Michigan Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, **Wass Elementary School** was cited for its strong commitment to excellence in education and learning through its exceptional teaching and energetic staff; and

WHEREAS, **Wass Elementary School** was recognized for their outstanding programs like Wake Up Wass, Buddy Up mentor program between older and younger students, Post Office Week, the Literacy Library, and award winning Future Problem Solver and Destination ImagiNation teams; and

WHEREAS, The B.U.D.D.I.E. (Building Understanding Develops the Desire to Include Everyone) Club at **Wass Elementary School** is a noteworthy program in which most fourth and fifth graders participate that has proven to be successful, for there is very little conflict among the students and instead, there is a wonderful feeling of community throughout the school; and

WHEREAS, The **Wass Elementary School** community attributes much of its success to excellent parent volunteers who participate in the school doing things like running the very active PTO to tutoring students in the Star Center;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Troy congratulates the quality of teamwork demonstrated by the staff, students and parent volunteers of **Wass Elementary School**, which has allowed them to celebrate this Blue Ribbon award, the most prestigious education award in the state of Michigan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Troy, does hereby join with the citizens of Troy to commend **Wass Elementary School's** rigorous efforts to provide quality education, strong leadership, parental participation, and significant progress in achieving high academic standards.

Signed this 16th day of May 2005.