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Chair

TO: Members of the R.I. Board of Education

**Council on Elementary and
Secondary Education**

FROM: Barbara S. Cottam, Chair

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**RE: Approval of Rhode Island's Strategic Plan for Public
Education: 2015-2020**

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The R.I. Board of Education led the development of a comprehensive and coherent state plan for public education over the past 12 months. This document includes the six overarching goals for public education in Rhode Island drafted by the Board; a five-year strategic plan for Elementary, Secondary, and Adult Education that was adopted by the Council on Elementary & Secondary Education on August 24, 2015; a five-year plan for Postsecondary Education that was adopted by the Council on Postsecondary Education on October 14, 2015; and a five-year plan for significant work toward shared objectives.

Once adopted by the Board, this plan will guide the strategic actions of both Councils, the Department of Elementary & Secondary Education, and the Office of Postsecondary Education for the next five years.

**RECOMMENDATION: That, the R.I. Board of Education
approves Rhode Island's Strategic Plan for Public
Education: 2015-2020, as presented.**