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TO: Ralston Public Schools Board of Education
Ralston Public Schools Students, Staff, and Community
FROM: Dr. Mark L. Adler, Superintendent
DATE: September 26, 2022
RE: Contract Resignation Request and Retirement

I love being an educator! It has been my honor and privilege to serve as a public school teacher and administrator in Nebraska for 32 years. After 15 years of service to Ralston Public Schools, I would like to resign my position as Superintendent effective June 30, 2023.

I began my service in the District on July 1, 2008, as Assistant Superintendent of Business. On July 1, 2012, I was appointed Superintendent of Ralston Public Schools, an opportunity I am grateful for to this day.

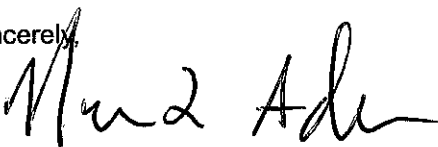
Thank you to the Ralston Public Schools Board of Education, students, staff, and community for trusting me to serve as Superintendent. I took my responsibilities seriously and am always proud to say I am from Ralston. My service to the students, staff, and community of Ralston Public Schools wasn't a job but a passion that provided me with purpose. This District is special, filled with incredible people I will never forget! The students and staff exemplify grit, determination, pride, leadership, service, and achievement. Our school district's students, staff, parents, and community are among the best in Nebraska!

As parents, Joni and I could not have asked for a better place to raise our children. Our three kids attended Ralston Public Schools. Both Jade and Kamille are proud Ralston alumni. Our son, Reid, could not wait to get to school each day and truly loved his teachers and friends. While living in Ralston, we experienced an unthinkable tragedy and enjoyed incredible success. No matter where we were on our journey, members of the Ralston Public Schools community wrapped us in their arms and carried us through. Our family will forever be grateful.

Although the last 15 years have provided some amazing accomplishments, I believe my most powerful leadership strength has been building quality relationships. I have worked tirelessly to cultivate a positive collaborative culture with students, staff, and the community. As educators, we are in the business of hope. I see myself as the CEO of Hope and Opportunity, and I will have done my job if every student and staff member has hope for a better tomorrow. As I close out this chapter, I hope I left this place better than I found it.

I intend to retire from public education in Nebraska. I would ask the Board of Education to consider me for the District's voluntary separation program.

Ram Nation, thank you for trusting me to serve as your Superintendent and Chief Ambassador!

Sincerely,


Dr. Mark L. Adler
Superintendent of Schools