



State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 266

By Representative Harrison

and

Senator Faulk

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Tamera Tate on her selection as the Teacher of the Year at Keplar Elementary School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Tamera Tate is one such estimable educator who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Tate was recently selected as the Teacher of the Year for Keplar Elementary School, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher as it recognizes the positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Tate received her bachelor's degree in education, graduating magna cum laude, from East Tennessee State University (ETSU) and her master's degree in education from Union College; and

WHEREAS, first employed by Hawkins County Schools in 1995, Tamera Tate has served with acumen and alacrity as a fourth-grade teacher for three exemplary years and previously taught eighth-grade math at Surgoinsville Middle School and the fourth-grade at Carter's Valley Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Tate is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated professional in the field of education, Ms. Tate is a member of NCTN, the Tennessee Education Association, the National Education Association, Kappa Delta Pi, Phi Kappa Phi, and the Eastman/ETSU Scholar Mathletes; and

WHEREAS, a natural leader, she has lent her time towards serving as a mentor teacher, a student teacher mentor, and the Mathematics Department Chair at Surgoinsville Middle School; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, Ms. Tate received awards for the 2008 ETSU/Eastman - Winning Math Lesson Plan and she was nominated as Outstanding Teacher by her students in 1998 and 2004; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Tate truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Tamera Tate truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Tamera Tate on being chosen as the Teacher of the Year at Keplar Elementary School, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: APRIL 28, 2011



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 10th day of May 2011


BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR