A Resolution of the Tennessee State Board of Education Co-Sponsored By Chairman Hartgrove, Vice-Chairman Eby, and Mr. Darnell

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this Board should pause to recognize the untiring commitment of the members of the teaching profession in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's standards for educator training and preparation are among the more rigorous in the United States with the educator preparation providers having accountability to this Board; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee has among the highest cut scores for edTPA and maintains Praxis cut scores at the nationally recommended level in every subject assessment to maintain excellent professional standards; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee has undertaken varied paths to educator licensure while maintaining robust standards for the profession; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's educator preparation providers work diligently to graduate educator candidates across the state who are prepared to teach students in various content areas, and ensure their students are ready for postsecondary education or careers upon high school graduation; and

WHEREAS, rising to the challenge, Tennessee's educators push themselves and their students to greater achievement, and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's students, in no small part due to the encouragement and tutelage of its teachers, become prominent and critical contributors to a growing and thriving Tennessee economy and culture; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's teachers have supported the intellectual growth of countless generations, inspiring our citizens to become pioneers in every field of human endeavor; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's teachers often evince the highest standards of probity and integrity serving as partners in education with parents, students, and members of the communities in which they live; and

WHEREAS, most educators deserve high praise and appreciation for their daily successes in the classroom while operating in varied and challenging environments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we do hereby commend Tennessee's teachers for their honorable and astute service to the good people of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be posted on the State Board of Education Website with this final clause omitted from such copy.

Considered	Chair's Signature
Passed	Co-sponsors