

HOUSE RESOLUTION 52

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Kim Harkreader, on her selection as Sumner County K-4 Teacher of the Year.

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

WHEREAS, Mrs. Harkreader has recently been selected as the 2012-2013 Sumner County K-4 Teacher of the Year, 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, Kim Harkreader received her bachelor's degree from Tennessee State University and a master's degree from Walden University; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Harkreader has served with acumen and alacrity as a fourth grade teacher for five exemplary years; she previously taught third and fifth grades; and

WHEREAS, she 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, in addition to her work in the classroom, Mrs. Harkreader is involved with the Girls on the Run Program at J.W. Wiseman Elementary School, which teaches life skills through conversation-based lessons and running games; and

WHEREAS, Kim Harkreader 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, her many professional accomplishments aside, Kim Harkreader is most appreciative of the love, support, and companionship she shares with her husband, Brian, and her sons, Gage and Chase; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Harkreader believes that teachers change lives by inspiring their students to recognize their gifts and to learn how to use them to pursue a worthy dream; and

WHEREAS, Kim Harkreader 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 EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate Kim Harkreader on being chosen as the 2012-2013 Sumner County K-4 Teacher of the Year, 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.

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