

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 31

By Harrison

A RESOLUTION to honor McPheeter's Bend Elementary School upon its receipt of the Value-Added Achievement Award from the Education Consumers Foundation.

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

WHEREAS, McPheeter's Bend Elementary School in Hawkins County is one such exceptional institution that is staffed by professional educators of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, McPheeter's Bend Elementary School recently received the Education Consumers Foundation's Value-Added Achievement Award, a most fitting honor, as it recognizes the invaluable contributions McPheeter's Bend has made to the education of the children of this State; and

WHEREAS, a three-time winner of this illustrious award, McPheeter's Bend Elementary received this honor due to its placement as one of the State's top performers on the Tennessee Value-Added Assessment System (TVAAS), where it ranks first in the State among 765 elementary schools; and

WHEREAS, the Education Consumers Foundation annually recognizes eighteen schools statewide whose students make the greatest gains in achievement in value-added scores, which reflect superior teaching, teamwork, and leadership; and

WHEREAS, Principal Renee Bernard of McPheeter's Bend received the award in a special ceremony that included the presentation of a certificate, a banner, and a cash award of \$3,000; and

WHEREAS, the teachers at McPheeter's Bend are extremely talented and compassionate educators who work assiduously to motivate their students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Principal Bernard and the entire staff of McPheeter's Bend Elementary School truly epitomize the ideal of the dedicated educator; each of them is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and they should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate the administration, faculty, and staff of McPheeter's Bend Elementary School upon the school's receipt of the Education Consumers Foundation's Value-Added Achievement Award, commend their exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute their professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish them all the best in their 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.