

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 113

By Johnson

A RESOLUTION to recognize Trinity Elementary School upon being honored as a 2014 National Blue Ribbon School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those educational institutions that, through the natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence put forward by their administration, faculty, staff, and students, have earned national accolades; and

WHEREAS, such an exemplary institution is Trinity Elementary School in Williamson County, which was recently recognized by the United States Secretary of Education as a 2014 National Blue Ribbon School; and

WHEREAS, a highly competitive prize, the National Blue Ribbon School honor is awarded only to those schools whose students have attained high achievement scores or have closed achievement gaps; and

WHEREAS, Trinity Elementary School is one of only 337 schools in the nation, and one of only five schools in Tennessee, selected to receive the highly esteemed National Blue Ribbon School Award; and

WHEREAS, under the dynamic leadership of principal Chris Schwartz, the faculty, administration, and staff at Trinity Elementary School have built an environment at the school that ensures students have the very best atmosphere for learning; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated teachers use research-based instructional strategies during daily whole group lessons to allow their students to fully grasp new concepts, and skills are reinforced during small group instruction; and

WHEREAS, through volunteer hours and monetary donations, parents offer strong support and involvement to enhance the school and positively impact student learning; and

WHEREAS, the school's selection as a National Blue Ribbon School is a tremendous source of pride for the administration, teachers, students, and parents of the Trinity Elementary School community; and

WHEREAS, the dedication to academic excellence demonstrated by all the fine individuals affiliated with Trinity Elementary School is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we congratulate Trinity Elementary School on being named a 2014 National Blue Ribbon School by the United States Department of Education, salute the school's principal, Chris Schwartz, and the school's faculty, staff, and students for their dedication to the highest tenets of education, and extend to them our best wishes for much continued success.

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