

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 138

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Christy Lawson on her selection as the 2018-2019 West Elementary School 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, Christy Lawson is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lawson has recently been named the 2018-2019 West Elementary School Teacher of the Year, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as an educator, as it recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, an eight-year educator, Christy Lawson teaches fourth grade; she received her bachelor's degree in human growth and learning from Tusculum College and her master's degree in curriculum and instruction from Walden University; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lawson 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, she 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, Christy Lawson represents her school on Superintendent Dr. Jeff Perry's Teacher Advisory Committee and works on the Hamblen County Schools Curriculum Framework; at her school, she is a member of the Data Team, the School Improvement Committee, and the Side Yard Story Committee; she has served as a girls' basketball after-school tutor, a student teacher host, and a practicum host, and she worked on the Arts Build Skills initiative; and

WHEREAS, her many professional accomplishments aside, Mrs. Lawson is most appreciative of the love, support, and companionship she shares with her husband of twenty-four years, George Lawson, and her children, Tanner Lawson and Christina Faith Lawson; and

WHEREAS, Christy Lawson truly epitomizes 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 SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Christy Lawson on being chosen as the 2018-2019 West Elementary School 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.