

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 140

By Southerland

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

WHEREAS, Amanda Parrish has been selected as the 2018-2019 Whitesburg Elementary School 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, a kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Parrish previously taught second and fifth grades at Whitesburg Elementary School; she is a graduate of East Tennessee State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies; and

WHEREAS, the Read to be Ready coach at her school, 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, a member of the Art Committee, she collaborates with her grade level team to create art projects that can be integrated within the curriculum. She also holds a community Art Gallery Walk every spring to display the artwork of students from every grade; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Parrish is 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, Amanda Parrish enjoys the love and support of her husband of four years, Coy, and is the proud mother of Adalyn; and

WHEREAS, Amanda Parrish truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest precepts 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 Amanda Parrish on being chosen as the 2018-2019 Whitesburg Elementary School Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the youth 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.