

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 141

By Southerland

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

WHEREAS, Heather Godwin has recently been named the 2018-2019 Witt Elementary School Teacher of the Year, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher, as it recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, a teacher for eleven years, Ms. Godwin teaches first grade at Witt Elementary School; she received her Associate of Science degrees from Pellissippi State Community College and Walters State Community College; her Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education from Tennessee Technological University; and her Master of Science degree in English as a Second Language from Carson-Newman University; 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, a leader in her field, Heather Godwin serves her school as a mentor and a member of the Data Team and the School Improvement Committee; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Godwin 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, Heather Godwin 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 hereby honor and congratulate Heather Godwin on being chosen as the 2018-2019 Witt 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.