

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 812

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Barbara Gracey on her selection as the 2019-2020 East Ridge Middle 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, Barbara Gracey is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Gracey has been selected as the 2019-2020 East Ridge Middle 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 thirty-three-year educator, she has been a Comprehensive Development Classroom teacher at East Ridge Middle School for the last twenty-four years; she also serves as social coordinator for the school; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Gracey earned her Bachelor of Science degree from Tennessee Technological University, her Master of Science degree from Tusculum College, and her Education Specialist degree from Lincoln Memorial University; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gracey 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, Barbara Gracey 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 Barbara Gracey on being chosen as the 2019-2020 East Ridge Middle 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 and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.