

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1057

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Dr. Matt Drinnon on being named Hamblen County Principal of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those outstanding citizens who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education and learning environments for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Matt Drinnon is one such estimable individual, who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, the principal at John Hay Elementary School, Dr. Drinnon was recently named Hamblen County Principal of the Year, a most befitting honor for his tenure as principal, as it recognizes the positive influence he has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, a twenty-three-year education veteran, Dr. Matt Drinnon previously served as an assistant principal at West View Middle School and a teacher at Alpha Elementary School; he was also a teacher and administrator in Cocke County; and

WHEREAS, during Dr. Drinnon's eight-year tenure as principal, John Hay Elementary School has been named a National Blue Ribbon School and twice been designated a Tennessee Reward School; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Matt Drinnon is an extremely talented and compassionate administrator who has worked assiduously throughout his career in education to motivate his students, teachers, and staff to reach their full potential as scholars, professionals, and citizens; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Drinnon truly serves as an inspiration to the faculty and staff at John Hay Elementary School, and his friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; and

WHEREAS, his many professional accomplishments aside, Dr. Matt Drinnon is most appreciative of the love and support he shares with his wife, Rebecca Drinnon, and their children, Thomas and Isaac; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Drinnon epitomizes the dedicated principal who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and he 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 Dr. Matt Drinnon upon being named Hamblen County Principal of the Year, commend his exceptional service to the students and schools of Tennessee, salute his professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish him all the best in his 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.