

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 254

BY SENATOR BARROW

A RESOLUTION

To commend Jennifer Paige Spradley upon her retirement and to congratulate her for thirty-years of service in the field of education.

WHEREAS, Jennifer Paige Spradley, a graduate of both Tulane University and Louisiana State University, chose to enter the honorable profession of teaching in Louisiana wherein she taught in both East and West Baton Rouge Parish until 1998 when she moved to Texas to teach in both the Garland and Richardson Independent School Districts; and

WHEREAS, she has taught all levels of high school, including dual credit, serving approximately 4,500 students whom she encouraged, mothered, rescued, and loved, while grading tens of thousands of essays and instilling a love of William Shakespeare into many hearts; and

WHEREAS, she has received many awards and accolades, most notably the Metro PCS Excellence in Education Award for Engineering and Technology in 2010, being named Teacher of the Year for Richardson Independent School District, and being the recipient of the STARS Teacher Recognition Award for Superior Teaching in 2013; and

WHEREAS, she became an AP Exam scorer for College Board, starting as an ACORN and working her way up to a MIGHTY OAK team leader, in addition to her work of scoring essays for the SAT, PSAT, and several state examinations; and

WHEREAS, she also worked with the National Math & Science Initiative to train teachers and guide students to success on their AP Language and Composition and their AP Literature and Composition exams; and

WHEREAS, she has led countless professional development sessions, sharing her knowledge, inspiring other teachers to maintain the highest standards, and engaging students in a variety of activities in both Louisiana and Texas; and

WHEREAS, after thirty years of selfless giving of her time, energy, emotions, and sacrificing the luxuries of life for the welfare of America's youth, she will complete her final day of teaching on Thursday, May 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, future generations will be bereft of her all encompassing passion and love of teaching, and many past and current colleagues will greatly miss her, it is appropriate that Jennifer Paige Spradley be commended for her dedication to the field of education and in recognition of the countless lives she has touched.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Jennifer Paige Spradley upon her retirement after a long and distinguished career in education, does hereby record for posterity her noble accomplishments, and express appreciation for her years of service, and does hereby extend to her best wishes for success and happiness in all of her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Jennifer Paige Spradley.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE