

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 16**

Introduced by Hansen, B., 16.

WHEREAS, Paul Timm teaches seventh through twelfth grade science at Lyons-Decatur Northeast Schools, the same school he attended as a boy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Timm began his teaching career in Laurel, Nebraska, where he taught agriculture education; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Timm has been at Lyons-Decatur Northeast Schools since 2008; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Timm brings passion and enthusiasm to his teaching, making him an excellent teacher; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Timm's positive energy is contagious to the staff and students at his school; and

WHEREAS, his example motivates and encourages others to become better teachers; and

WHEREAS, he supports staff at Lyons-Decatur Northeast Schools as they work towards their goals; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Timm uses his caring nature to relate every lesson to the lives of his students on a daily basis and the students transfer this energy into their own work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Timm empowers all of his students to learn and excel in educational achievements through the combination of his energy and instructional skills; and

WHEREAS, he recently provided guidance to a student who qualified for the American Junior Academics of Science in Austin, Texas; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Timm views learning as an entrepreneurial venture, stating that students are not just employees on the job but business owners building an enterprise of learning with passion, personal choice, and full ownership; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Timm is an expert in the field of science and technology, including certification as a National Geographic Teacher, receiving an invitation to the National Geographic Education Summit in Washington D.C., and acceptance into the Society for Science and Public Advocate Program; and

WHEREAS, his expertise led to many grants that have benefited Lyons-Decatur Northeast Schools, including a four-thousand-dollar STEM Research Grant and a five-thousand-dollar Water Project Grant; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Timm also coached the cross country team to a conference championship and a state-qualifying appearance; and

WHEREAS, he goes above and beyond for his community, his school, and most importantly his students; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Timm has been a teacher for seventeen years after he earned a bachelor's degree in agriculture education and a master's degree in entomology from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Legislature thanks Paul Timm for serving seventeen years in education and for helping his students excel in the areas of science and technology.

2. That copies of this resolution be sent to Paul Timm and Lyons-Decatur Northeast Schools.