

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 931

By Richey

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Russell Spaulding, the 2023–2024 Union Grove Middle School Rookie 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, Russell Spaulding is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, an eighth-grade science teacher, Mr. Spaulding was recently named the 2023–2024 Union Grove Middle School Rookie Teacher of the Year, a most befitting honor for his tenure as an educator, as it recognizes the positive influence he has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, his enthusiasm and dedication has led to invitations to serve on multiple committees that seek to help students, and he is a frequent volunteer for school-wide initiatives that bring the staff and students together with positive reinforcement and recognition; and

WHEREAS, Russell Spaulding is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who has worked assiduously throughout his career in education to motivate his students, fellow teachers, and staff to reach their full potential as scholars, professionals, and citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Spaulding truly serves as an inspiration to the faculty and staff at Union Grove Middle School, and his friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; and

WHEREAS, Russell Spaulding epitomizes the dedicated educator 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 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Russell Spaulding on being chosen as the 2023–2024 Union Grove Middle School Rookie Teacher of the Year, commend his exceptional service to the children 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.