HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1206

By Weaver

A RESOLUTION to recognize Susan Hinton on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize, particularly on the occasion of their retirement, those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Susan Hinton is one such estimable educator who, having distinguished herself as an exemplary teacher, has entered into a well-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, a veteran teacher with five decades of experience, Susan Hinton has served with acumen and alacrity as an educator here in Tennessee and in the State of Alabama, instructing and positively influencing students from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Susan Hinton received her Bachelor of Science degree from Belmont University and her master's degree from Alabama A&M University; she has done further work on an Education Specialist degree and reading specialist certification at Alabama A&M University and Administration and Supervision certification at the University of Alabama at Birmingham; and

WHEREAS, during her extensive career, she has taught grades 1-12 and Chapter 1 Reading in Alabama, served as Director of Migrant Education in Morgan County, Alabama, taught seventh grade Language Arts at DeKalb Middle School in DeKalb County, and served as a supervisor/instructor for an adult high school for twenty years; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hinton is certified by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools as a Facilitator and Supervisor of Accreditation Studies and served on the National Education Resolution's Commission in Washington, D.C.; and WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, she has received numerous Teacher of the Year awards in Alabama, as well as Regional Teacher of the Year and was recognized as the Educator of the Year in Alabama in Montgomery, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, a member of Delta Kappa Gamma Education Honor Society, she has served as president of the Morgan County (Alabama) Teachers Association, the DeKalb County Teacher Association, and Parent's Teacher Organization and was elected to serve on the State Evaluation Committee in Montgomery, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, an organized professional who always set high expectations for her students, Susan Hinton truly served as an inspiration to her colleagues and her students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Ms. Hinton demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of the community at large; and

WHEREAS, Susan Hinton truly epitomizes the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized for her manifold achievements on the occasion of her retirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor Susan Hinton, commending her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, saluting her professional expertise and personal excellence, and extending to her our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success 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.