

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 139

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Kristie Spooone on her selection as the 2018-2019 Fairview-Marguerite Elementary School 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, Kristie Spooone is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Spooone has recently been named the 2018-2019 Fairview-Marguerite Elementary School Teacher of the Year, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher, as it recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, a fourth grade teacher, Kristie Spooone received her Associate of Science Degree from Walters State Community College, her Bachelor of Science degree from Tusculum College, and her master's degree in reading from East Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Spooone is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; her dedication has resulted in her class having the highest growth in reading of all fourth grade classes in Hamblen County; and

WHEREAS, at her school, she serves as Scholastic Bowl coach, mentor leader, and yearbook sponsor; she also serves on the Literacy Committee, the Creative Leadership Team, and the countywide Art Committee; and

WHEREAS, Kristie Spooone serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, her many professional accomplishments aside, Kristie Spoone is most appreciative of the love, support, and companionship she shares with her husband, Ron Howerton, and her daughters, Kayla and Breanna; and

WHEREAS, Kristie Spoone 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; 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 Kristie Spoone on being chosen as the 2018-2019 Fairview-Marguerite Elementary School Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best 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.