

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 794

By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Jennifer Elliott on her selection as the 2015-2016 Teacher of the Year for Wilson County.

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, Jennifer Elliott is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Elliott was recently honored as the 2015-2016 Teacher of the Year for Wilson County at the annual Teacher of the Year banquet, a distinction most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher, as it recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, the annual winner of the Teacher of the Year award in Wilson County is selected by an anonymous panel of Cumberland University faculty members who choose from submissions from each school in Wilson County; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Freed-Hardeman University, Mrs. Elliott has twenty years of teaching experience, and she presently is a special needs teacher at Winfree Bryant Middle School; and

WHEREAS, she always strives to be a productive and responsible citizen and is active in school and in society; and

WHEREAS, known for conveying patience, passion, integrity, and a love for learning to her students, Mrs. Elliott 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; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Elliott truly 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, Mrs. Elliott is most appreciative of the love, support, and companionship she shares with her husband, Todd, and their three sons, Gregory, Wesley, and Zachary; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Elliott truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest tenets 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 NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Jennifer Elliott on being chosen as the 2015-2016 Teacher of the Year for Wilson County, commend her exceptional service to the youth 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.