

SENATE RESOLUTION 67

By Walley

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate David Ray Mullins, the 2022–2023 LaGrange-Moscow Elementary School Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body 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, David Ray Mullins is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mullins has been selected as the 2022–2023 LaGrange-Moscow Elementary Teacher of the Year, a most befitting honor that recognizes the positive influence he has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, a Pre-K-fifth grade music instructor at the school for the past two years, Ray Mullins is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate his students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, he graduated from the University of Memphis with a Bachelor of Music degree and earned his Master of Arts in Education degree from Union University. Mr. Mullins also holds an Orff Music Certificate from the University of Memphis; and

WHEREAS, Ray Mullins enjoys the companionship and support of his wife and their children; he and his wife serve as advisors to Youth Villages and AdoptUSkids.org, and Mr. Mullins also serves on a national committee for church music called Catholic Liturgical Ensemble Formation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mullins has authored educational books on Irish-American Music and has presented at conferences across the country; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mullins serves as an inspiration to his colleagues and students alike, and his friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; and

WHEREAS, Ray Mullins truly epitomizes the dedicated teacher 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 SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate David Ray Mullins on being chosen as the 2022–2023 LaGrange-Moscow Elementary School 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.