HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 944

By Richey

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Kalee Brooks on being named the 2023–2024 Blount County Schools 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, Kalee Brooks is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Brooks has been selected as the 2023–2024 Blount County Schools Rookie Teacher of the Year, a most befitting honor that recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Brooks began her teaching career with Blount County Schools two-and-

one-half years ago; she is a second-generation teacher in her family, and she teaches

kindergarten at Townsend Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, she attended Pellissippi State Community College and Western Governors University and received a bachelor's degree in elementary education; and

WHEREAS, Kalee Brooks 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, Ms. Brooks 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, Kalee Brooks 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 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Kalee Brooks upon being named the 2023– 2024 Blount County Schools Rookie 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 and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.