

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1078

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Principal Timothy Jones upon being named the West Tennessee Principal of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those outstanding citizens who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education and learning environments for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Timothy Jones is one such estimable individual, who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, the principal of Bartlett High School, Mr. Jones was recently named the West Tennessee Principal of the Year, a most befitting honor for his tenure as a principal, as it recognizes the positive influence he has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, the son of Dawson Jones and Trudie Wilcox Jones, Tim Jones graduated from high school in Gordo, Alabama, and attended the University of Memphis on a football scholarship; and

WHEREAS, a mathematics major in college, he pursued a career as a math teacher and football coach upon his graduation and taught at the high school level for eighteen years before being named the mathematics supervisor for the Shelby County school system; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, Tim Jones was named vice principal of Bartlett High School and in 2014, became the principal of Bartlett High School in the new Bartlett City Schools; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as principal of Bartlett High School, Principal Jones has implemented strategies of teacher and student supports, receiving exceptional results as the school reached Reward School status for two consecutive years and raised its graduation rate from the 70% range to 98.6%; and

WHEREAS, also teaching at the collegiate level, Tim Jones recently completed his eighteenth year as an adjunct professor of mathematics at the University of Memphis; and

WHEREAS, named the Bartlett City Schools Principal of the Year in 2019, Tim Jones truly serves as an inspiration to the faculty and staff at Bartlett High School, and his friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; and

WHEREAS, Principal Jones is an extremely talented and compassionate administrator who has worked assiduously throughout his career in education to motivate his students, teachers, and staff to reach their full potential as scholars, professionals, and citizens; and

WHEREAS, Timothy Jones epitomizes the dedicated principal 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 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Timothy Jones upon being named the West Tennessee Principal of the Year, commend his exceptional service to the students and schools 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 and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.