HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1097

By Evans

A RESOLUTION to recognize Mitzi Williams Grogan on the occasion of her retirement.

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

WHEREAS, Mitzi Williams Grogan, principal of Greenbrier Elementary School, is one such estimable educator who evinces the greatest probity and excellence in all of her endeavors; and

WHEREAS, after thirty years as a teacher and principal, Mrs. Grogan will soon be taking a much deserved retirement, having been a positive influence on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, a native of Greenbrier, Mitzi Williams Grogan attended Greenbrier High School, where she was a member of the first volleyball team and played point guard for the basketball team that went 27-1 her senior season; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Grogan received her Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education from Middle Tennessee State University, where she played volleyball all four years and received the Ohio Valley Conference (OVC) Scholar Athlete Award, and earned her Master of Arts in Administration and Supervision at Trevecca Nazarene College; and

WHEREAS, Mitzi Williams Grogan began her teaching career with the Robertson County School System in 1984, teaching physical education and coaching both the girls and boys basketball teams; and

WHEREAS, from 1986 to 2005, Mrs. Grogan taught sixth grade at Greenbrier Middle School and enjoyed a very successful four-year tenure as coach of the girls basketball team,

winning two regular season championships and one county tournament championship, while helping her teams make two TNT Tournament appearances, finishing as runner-up in 1996; and

WHEREAS, from 1993 to 2005, Mitzi Grogan also served as volleyball coach at Greenbrier High School and compiled an impressed record, claiming six district, six regional, and two sectional championships and two state tournament appearances; and

WHEREAS, leaving the classroom and the coaching ranks, Mitzi Grogan was named Assistant Principal of Greenbrier High School in 2005 and would serve in that capacity until 2008, when she accepted the position of Principal at Greenbrier Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure, Principal Mitzi Grogan worked assiduously to motivate the students of Greenbrier Elementary to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mitzi Williams Grogan enjoys the love and support of her husband, Lloyd Dink Grogan, and their three children, Kristen Grogan Daughtry, Justin Grogan, and Cameron Grogan, and one grandchild, Madison Daughtry; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Grogan exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Mitzi Williams Grogan has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her faculty, staff, students, and the Greenbrier community at large; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Mitzi Williams Grogan our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success 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.