SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 74

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor David McLain on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should specially recognize those outstanding professionals who have devoted their careers to providing the highest-quality education and learning environments for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable individual is David McLain, who, having distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity throughout his career, took his well-deserved retirement as director of schools for Greene County on January 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, in 1997, Mr. McLain graduated from East Tennessee State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education, and he later received his Master of Arts in education in 2006 from Union College; he also earned an Educational Specialist Degree from Lincoln Memorial University in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McLain began his exemplary career as a teacher and coach at Baileyton Elementary School; he later moved to North Greene High School, where he worked as a teacher, coach, and athletic director; and

WHEREAS, as his career in education progressed, Mr. McLain worked his way up to administration and served as the principal of North Greene High School for six years before accepting the position of assistant director of operations and academic services and finally the position of Greene County Director of Schools in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McLain truly served as an inspiration to the faculty, staff, and students of Greene County Schools, and his friendship and counsel have always been highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; and WHEREAS, throughout his illustrious career, Mr. McLain has been fortunate to have the love and support of his wife, Delana, and two sons, Dalton and Bennett; he is an active member of New Lebanon Baptist Church, and he further serves his community as a coach of booster club and Greeneville Parks and Recreation athletic teams; and

WHEREAS, David McLain is an extremely talented and compassionate administrator who 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, Mr. McLain epitomizes the dedicated professional who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and he should be specially recognized on the occasion of his retirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Mr. David McLain upon his exceptional service to Greene County as director of schools, salute his professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish him much continued success and happiness during his retirement.

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.