

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1001

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Missy Testerman on her selection as the 2023–2024 Tennessee Teacher of the Year.

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

WHEREAS, one such estimable individual is Missy Testerman, who was named the 2023–2024 Tennessee Teacher of the Year, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher, as it recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, an English as a Second Language instructor at Rogersville Elementary School in Rogersville City Schools, Ms. Testerman has been an educator for thirty-one years; she was competitively selected for this award from among nine finalists representing their respective regions of the State during the Tennessee Department of Education's Excellence in Education celebration; and

WHEREAS, a leader, mentor, and advocate in her school, Ms. Testerman is president of the Rogersville Education Association, a member of the Rogersville City School Teacher Leadership team, a mentor for new teachers, and a participant in the Readers are Leaders Program; and

WHEREAS, an active part of her community, she serves as the Summer Camps Coordinator for Rogersville City Schools and renders sterling service on multiple boards and committees in the school and the community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Testerman is an inspiration to the faculty, staff, and students of Rogersville Elementary School, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Missy Testerman truly epitomizes the dedicated educator 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 Missy Testerman upon being named the 2023–2024 Tennessee 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.