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Senate Resolution

A resolution commending highly qualified teachers and education professionals on their efforts to fulfill the promise of public education and prepare every child in Florida for success.

WHEREAS, highest commendations are hereby extended to the highly qualified teachers and education professionals of Florida for their commitment to students and learning as well as for their efforts to fulfill the missions of public education, and

WHEREAS, public education is a cornerstone of our democracy, and

WHEREAS, public education's core missions include preparing students for democratic citizenship, ensuring equal opportunity, and providing a high-quality education for all children, and

WHEREAS, the Florida Constitution supports these missions by requiring a uniform, safe, secure, and high-quality system of public schools, and

WHEREAS, Florida public schools are expected to fulfill the missions of public education, and

WHEREAS, well-prepared, highly qualified teachers provide students with the skills they need to become involved, informed, and engaged citizens, and prepare students for productive work and fulfilling lives, and

WHEREAS, research shows that teacher quality is the single most important school variable affecting student achievement and success, and

1 WHEREAS, education professionals are the backbone of
2 Florida public schools and an indispensable part of the school
3 community, taking care of our children every day and providing
4 them with the tools they need to succeed in Florida's schools
5 and classrooms, and

6 WHEREAS, research shows education professionals
7 directly affect student learning, and

8 WHEREAS, supporting and encouraging highly qualified
9 teachers and education professionals is an important
10 investment for our children, our neighborhood public schools,
11 our communities, our state, and our collective future in the
12 global marketplace, and

13 WHEREAS, it is both proper and fitting for the Senate
14 to recognize Florida teachers and education professionals for
15 their fundamental and vital work, NOW, THEREFORE,

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17 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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19 That the Florida Senate commends the accomplished
20 teachers and education professionals of Florida on their
21 commitment and dedication to public education and their
22 efforts to improve student learning, raise achievement, and
23 provide every student with a high-quality education.
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