State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 365

By Representative Pitts

and

Senator Green

A RESOLUTION to honor Liberty Elementary School on its twentieth anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize those exemplary educational institutions that have made significant contributions, through an abiding commitment to excellence, to their respective communities and to this state; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy institution is Liberty Elementary School in the Clarksville-Montgomery County School System, which is celebrating its twentieth anniversary of operation this year; and

WHEREAS, located at 849 South Liberty Church Road in Clarksville, Liberty Elementary School was opened during the 1996–1997 school year to serve area students in kindergarten through fourth grade; and

WHEREAS, the wonderful new school enjoyed the leadership of its first principal, Joy Holder, and first assistant principal, Diana Simmons, and adopted the Lion as their mascot, becoming the Liberty Lions; the playground at Liberty Elementary is dedicated to Principal Holder; and

WHEREAS, now under the supervision of Principal Sherry Baker and Assistant Principal Melissa Johnson, Liberty Elementary School strives daily to enable its students to achieve academic excellence and reach high expectations in a safe, nurturing, and structured environment; and

WHEREAS, Liberty Elementary School faces a challenging educational mission, as it is a very transient school due to both its location near Fort Campbell and the rapid growth of the surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, since its inception, Liberty Elementary School has enjoyed the teaching services of educators of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity and a support staff committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all; and

WHEREAS, six members of the original faculty and staff remain at Liberty Elementary, which today enjoys a faculty and staff composed of both novice teachers, who bring new ideas and energy, and seasoned educators who share their years of wisdom and experience to produce positive outcomes for every child; and

WHEREAS, over the years, Liberty Elementary School has added both fifth grade and pre-kindergarten, as well as an assortment of special education classrooms. Through funding from state and federal grants, the school now offers before- and after-school tutoring, enrichment classes, sports clubs, and dance and musical programs; and

WHEREAS, the dedication to academic excellence demonstrated by all the fine individuals affiliated with Liberty Elementary School is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of the members of this General Assembly on this most auspicious occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor Liberty Elementary School on the occasion of its twentieth anniversary, commend its administration, faculty, and staff, both past and present, for

their dedication to the highest tenets of education, and extend to them our best wishes for much continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: May 1, 2017

BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

RANDY MCNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 3rd day of May 2017

BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR