

## State of Tennessee

## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 348**

By Representatives Lois DeBerry, Camper, Towns, Parkinson, Hardaway, Johnnie Turner, Cooper, Richardson, Favors, John DeBerry, Larry Miller, Armstrong, Naifeh, Kernell

A RESOLUTION to recognize Betty Jean McKissack-McDaniel on the occasion of her Retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those outstanding educators who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their careers to provide the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Betty Jean McKissack-McDaniel of Sharpe Elementary School is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. McKissack-McDaniel will soon be taking a much deserved retirement, after more than thirty-four years of serving as a positive influence on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Betty Jean McKissack-McDaniel attended Melrose High School and graduated in December 1976, from the University of Memphis (Memphis State University), where she was a valuable member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the good people at Memphis City Schools have recognized and appreciated Mrs. McKissack-McDaniel's excellence as a teacher and role model for young people since she began her service with the school system in January of 1977; and

WHEREAS, throughout her exemplary career, Betty Jean McKissack-McDaniel has served with acumen and alacrity as a kindergarten and fourth-grade teacher, rendering sterling service during three different administrations; and

WHEREAS, a woman of faith, Mrs. McKissack-McDaniel is an active and devout member of the Mt. Gilliam Missionary Baptist Church, where she faithfully serves her Lord as a member of the African Queen Praise Dance Team, Sunday School Class Number Four, and the J.D. Jamerson Missionary Circle; and

WHEREAS, strongly committed to community and public service, Betty Jean McKissack-McDaniel served as a Girl Scout Mom for ten years, leading the young scouts on various adventures, and service projects aimed at helping the homeless and the elderly; and

WHEREAS, her many professional accomplishments aside, Mrs. McKissack-McDaniel is most grateful for the love and support she shares with her children, Brandon and Brittney McDaniel; her daughter-in-law, Lakesha McDaniel; and her grandson, Darrion McDaniel; she also enjoyed twenty-eight years of marital bliss with her beloved husband, Barry McDaniel, before he went onto his great reward; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. McKissack-McDaniel is an extremely talented and compassionate educator, who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Betty Jean McKissack-McDaniel exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. McKissack-McDaniel truly epitomizes the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized on the occasion of her retirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE

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CONCURRING, that we extend to Betty Jean McKissack-McDaniel 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.

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ADOPTED: MAY 2, 2011
BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
RON RAMISEY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE
APPROVED this 5th day of May 2011
BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR