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No. 538

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS AND COMMENDING THE 3,420 NATIONAL BOARD-CERTIFIED TEACHERS IN MISSISSIPPI, 101 WHO WERE NEWLY CERTIFIED IN 2012.

WHEREAS, the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing the quality of teaching and learning by developing professional standards for accomplished teaching, creating a voluntary system to certify teachers who meet those standards, and integrating certified teachers into educational reform efforts; and

WHEREAS, since its founding 25 years ago, the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards has certified more than 100,000 teachers; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certification is an advanced teaching credential achieved upon completion of a voluntary and rigorous assessment program designed to recognize effective and

accomplished teachers who meet high standards based on what teachers should know and be able to do; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive study conducted by the National Research Council found that students of National Board Certified Teachers make greater gains on achievement tests over time than students taught by teachers that are not board certified; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers are nationally recognized as being among the best teachers in the profession; and

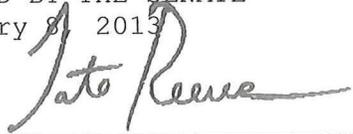
WHEREAS, Mississippi ranks 14th in the nation in the number of National Board Certified Teachers in 2012 and 7th in the nation in the total number of National Board Certified Teachers over time:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby congratulate the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards on 25 years of service and commend the 3,420 National Board Certified Teachers in Mississippi, with special recognition to the 101 teachers who were certified for the first time in 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be furnished to the 101 new board-certified teachers, forwarded to

the State Board of Education and made available to the members of
the Capitol Press Corps.

ADOPTED BY THE SENATE
February 8, 2013



PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
February 13, 2013



SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES