

Resolution

ENROLLED HOUSE

CONCURRENT

RESOLUTION NO. 1009

By: Thomsen, Armes, Banz, Bennett, Billy, Blackwell, Brown, Brumbaugh, Cannaday, Casey, Christian, Cockroft, Condit, Coody, Cooksey, Cox, Dank, Denney, Derby, DeWitt, Dorman, Enns, Farley, Faught, Fourkiller, Glenn, Grau, Hall, Hamilton, Hardin, Hickman, Hilliard, Holland, Hoskin, Inman, Jackson, Johnson, Jordan, Joyner, Kern, Key, Kirby, Kouplen, Liebmann, Lockhart, Martin (Scott), Martin (Steve), McAffrey, McCullough, McDaniel (Jeannie), McDaniel (Randy), McNiel, McPeak, Moore, Morgan, Morrisette, Mulready, Murphey, Nelson, Newell, Nollan, Ortega, Osborn, Ownbey, Peters, Peterson, Pittman, Proctor, Pruett, Quinn, Renegar, Reynolds, Richardson, Ritze, Roan, Roberts (Dustin), Roberts (Sean), Rousselot, Russ, Sanders, Schwartz, Scott, Sears, Shannon, Shelton, Sherrer, Shoemake, Shumate, Steele, Stiles, Sullivan, Terrill, Tibbs, Trebilcock, Vaughan, Virgin, Walker, Watson, Wesselhoft, Williams and Wright of the House

and

Paddack, Adelson, Aldridge, Allen, Anderson, Ballenger, Barrington, Bass, Bingman, Branan, Brecheen, Brinkley, Brown, Burrage, Coates, Crain, David, Eason McIntyre, Ellis, Fields, Ford, Garrison, Halligan, Holt, Ivester, Johnson (Constance), Johnson (Rob), Jolley, Justice, Laster, Lerblance, Marlatt, Mazzei, Myers, Newberry, Nichols, Reynolds, Rice, Russell, Schulz, Shortey, Simpson, Sparks, Stanislowski, Sykes, Treat, Wilson and Wyrick of the Senate

A Concurrent Resolution congratulating Elizabeth Smith, the 2011 Oklahoma Teacher of the Year; recognizing her service and dedication; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, among the most honorable and noble professions is that of an educator of young people, a profession to which all too few are called; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Smith, a reading teacher at Byng Junior High, has been chosen as the 2011 Oklahoma Teacher of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Smith, the daughter of Richard and Mary Willis, both of whom were educators, knew from an early age that she wanted to become a teacher like her parents; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Smith, who earned her BA degree in Elementary Education and masters degree in Administration from East Central University, will be inducted into the East Central University Education Hall of Fame in April and has also been named a Distinguished Alumnus for 2011; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Smith is a National Board Certified Teacher who has taught for seventeen years, three years at Vanoss Public Schools and the last fourteen years at Byng Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Smith's simple philosophy of education is evident in her statement, "All students can learn. Every student that walks in my room needs to learn. It doesn't matter if they are below grade level or gifted. Every student has to grow. When I see that growth in my students, I see success. Teaching goes beyond content. I have to know my students and see them as more than just a test score. I have to see them as important individuals who can make a difference in our future."; and

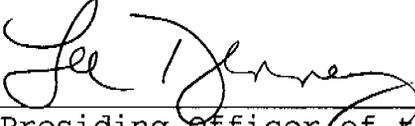
WHEREAS, Elizabeth Smith, for whom teaching is a passion, is sharing her message and enthusiasm about teaching and student learning with teachers throughout Oklahoma during the 2010-2011 school year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 53RD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature congratulates Elizabeth Smith, 2011 Oklahoma Teacher of the Year, and takes great pride in extending recognition for her outstanding service and dedication to the children of the State of Oklahoma.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Elizabeth Smith and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 23rd day of March, 2011.



Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

Adopted by the Senate the 30th day of March, 2011.



Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Secretary of State this _____
31st day of March, 2011,
at 11:36 o'clock _____ A.M.

By: 
