SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 192

BY SENATOR BARROW

A RESOLUTION

To designate May 15, 2018, as "Teacher of the Year Day" in Senate District 15 and to commend the Teacher of the Year from each school in Senate District 15 for his or her exemplary and dedicated service.

WHEREAS, excellence in teaching is the result of commitment, dedication, inspiration, patience, creativity, hard work, and the highest order of professional integrity; and

WHEREAS, research clearly demonstrates that teachers are paramount to student achievement and it has been estimated that a teacher has two to three times the impact of any other school factor; and

WHEREAS, Teacher of the Year programs were created as a means to publicly honor and recognize the critical role of instructional excellence in ensuring student success in school and in life; and

WHEREAS, the outstanding educators named Teacher of the Year for the schools located in Senate District 15 are as follows:

Maria Banga, Forest Heights Academy of Excellence

Shinita Bethely, Zachary Elementary School

Shemeatric Coleman, Progress Elementary School

Kristie Dalton, Glen Oaks Magnet High School

Emily L. DeFoe, Sherwood Middle Academic Magnet School

Danielle Dickerson, Greenbrier Elementary School

Beth Ducote, Scotlandville Middle Pre-Engineering Academy

William Earvin, Baker High School

Lauraleigh Eddleman, Brookstown Middle School

Tomara Espinoza, Merrydale Elementary School

Caprice Hayes, Twin Oaks Elementary School

Tracy Hayes, Baker Heights Elementary School

Susan Hill, Northdale Superintendent's Academy

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Bertha Hinojosa, La Belle Aire Elementary School

Sabrina Honor, White Hills Elementary

Tiffany Jeansonne, Rollins Place Elementary School

Edwine Johnson-Muse, Belaire High School

Ashley Kelly, Brownfields Elementary School

Kelly Lambert-Osuald, Glen Oaks Park Elementary School

Jeanine Leonard, Ryan Elementary School

Wendy Matusicky, Broadmoor Middle School

Ronil Merto, Villa del Rey Elementary School

Rachel Miles, Northeast Elementary School

Lionel O'Conner, Park Forest Middle School

Kathryn Osborne, Cooper Mill Elementary School

Carla Powell, Scotlandville Magnet High School

Bathsheba Sartin, Park Forest Elementary School

Pamela Selders, Crestworth Elementary School

Ashley Smith, Audubon Elementary School

Derrick Winn, Baker Heights Elementary School

Meshone Zanders, Sharon Hills Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, these exemplary educators are held in the highest regard by their students, their colleagues, and their communities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate May 15, 2018, as "Teacher of the Year Day" in Senate District 15 and does also hereby sincerely commend the Teacher of the Year from each school in Senate District 15 for his or her exemplary and dedicated service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to each Teacher of the Year recognized herein.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE