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Summary: Tessie Bridges, SC Elementary Assistant Principal of the Year

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A house RESOLUTION

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR EDUCATOR TESSIE BRIDGES OF CHEROKEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT, TO CONGRATULATE HER UPON BEING NAMED THE 2025 SOUTH CAROLINA ELEMENTARY ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR, AND TO COMMEND HER FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO EDUCATION IN THIS GREAT STATE.

Whereas, Tessie Bridges, assistant principal of Grassy Pond Elementary School in Cherokee County School District, has been named the 2025 South Carolina Elementary Assistant Principal of the Year by the South Carolina Association of School Administrators; and

Whereas, Mrs. Bridges was chosen for this honor from a bevy of accomplished administrative candidates by a panel of expert judges. Her selection for this award was based upon criteria set by the National Association of Elementary School Principals; and

Whereas, Mrs. Bridges’ established model of excellence has encouraged the faculty and staff at Grassy Pond Elementary School to grow professionally, and her ability to communicate effectively enables her to excel in championing the needs of all her students; and

Whereas, not surprised that this coveted award rests on the deserving shoulders of Tessie Bridges, the students of Grassy Pond Elementary School and their parents, as well as her colleagues, friends, and family members, appreciate the outstanding contributions she has made in the field of education, which have benefited countless students in South Carolina; and

Whereas, Cherokee County School District Interim Superintendent Dr. Thomas White adds his praise to the many encomiums flowing in to the state’s new Elementary Assistant Principal of the Year: “Mrs. Bridges exemplifies ‘service before self’ and ‘excellence in all you do.’ She is compassionate and courageous. That’s why students, parents, and her colleagues love her so much. Mrs. Bridges represents the best of all of us”; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are pleased to pause in their deliberations so that they may express their profound appreciation to one of the state’s finest educators and congratulate Tessie Bridges for the pride and distinction she has brought to her school and community on being named the 2025 South Carolina Elementary Assistant Principal of the Year. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and honor educator Tessie Bridges of Cherokee County School District, congratulate her upon being named the 2025 South Carolina Elementary Assistant Principal of the Year, and commend her for her dedicated service to education in this great State.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Tessie Bridges.

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