SPONSOR: Rep. S. Moore on behalf of all Representatives &
Sen. Sturgeon on behalf of all Senators

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 48

COMMENDING HEATHER HITCHENS REPRESENTING THE LAKE FOREST SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR BEING SELECTED AS DELAWARE'S EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR FOR 2023 AND COMMENDING EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT AND CHARTER NETWORK'S EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR.

WHEREAS, educational support professionals work each day with more than 141,000 children who attend 250 Delaware public schools in 19 school districts and 23 charter schools; and

WHEREAS, educational support professionals strive for excellence in their profession when they know that the community supports them and appreciates their efforts on behalf of our children; and

WHEREAS, the Educational Support Professional of the Year program identifies building and district representatives who embody the best qualities of all Delaware teachers; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Educational Support Professional of the Year Program recognizes outstanding service by school employees who provide direct or indirect services to students and their families: and

WHEREAS, Heather Hitchens of Lake Forest Central Elementary School in the Lake Forest School District has been named Delaware State Educational Support Professional of the Year for 2023; and

WHEREAS, 19 of the other school districts and the Delaware Charter Network has chosen a 2023 District/Charter Educational Support Professional of the Year, namely :

Appoquinimink School District: Claudine Strawbridge

Brandywine School District: Meg Brown

Caesar Rodney School District: Jossette Threatts

Cape Henlopen School District: Brittany Hoeller

Capital School District: David Hom

Christina School District: Matthew Stearn

Colonial School District: Joseph Davis

Delmar School District: Michelle Niblett

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Indian River School District: Arleth Avalos

Lake Forest School District: Heather Hitchens

Laurel School District: Ashley Pugh

Milford School District: Lisa McQueen

New Castle County Vocational Technical School District: Michele Marra

POLYTECH School District: Jodine Cybulski

Red Clay Consolidated School District: Clare Lawrence

Seaford School District: Daniel Hopkins

Smyrna School District: Pamela Hilliard

Sussex Technical School District: Kim Speicher

Woodbridge School District: Ricki Truitt

Delaware Charter School Network: Eric Winston

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 152nd General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the Senate concurring therein, that the Members do hereby commend Heather Hitchens for the well-deserved designation as 2023 Delaware Educational Support Professional of the Year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the entire membership of the Delaware General Assembly does hereby extend heartfelt gratitude to Heather Hitchens, Delaware Educational Support Professional of the Year, and to each of the fellow Educational Support Professionals of the Year for 2023, for their many contributions to the betterment of education in Delaware.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that suitably prepared copies of this House Concurrent Resolution be presented to Heather Hitchens and each of the District/Charter Network Educational Support Professionals of the Year.

SYNOPSIS

This Concurrent Resolution commends the 2023 Delaware Educational Support Professional of the Year, Heather Hitchens, and all of the District/Charter Network Educational Support Professionals of the Year.

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