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SENATE RESOLUTION

TO RECOGNIZE SPRINGHILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AS A 2022
EXEMPLARY HIGH PERFORMING NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON
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Subtitle

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WHEREAS, Springhill Elementary School was recognized by the United States Department of Education as a National Blue Ribbon School in 2022; and

WHEREAS, recognition as a National Blue Ribbon School is based on a school's overall academic performance or progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups; and

WHEREAS, National Blue Ribbon Schools serve as models of effective school practices for state and district educators and other schools throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, Exemplary High Performing Schools are among their state's highest performing schools as measured by state assessments or nationally normed tests; and

WHEREAS, Springhill Elementary School was recognized by the United States Department of Education as having a strong collaboration with parents, families, teachers, administrators, and the community towards its efforts in educating the school's students; and



WHEREAS, Springhill Elementary has a student population of five hundred sixty (560) in kindergarten through grade five (K-5); and

WHEREAS, Springhill Elementary achieved Leader in Me Lighthouse School status in 2019 recognizing the school as a great example of a strong leadership model and of what it means to be a Leader in Me School; and

WHEREAS, each year Springhill Elementary makes significant gains in student achievement and has been celebrated as an Arkansas Reward School and recognized for high growth scores through the Office for Education Policy; and

WHEREAS, Bryant Superintendent, Dr. Karen Walters, said, "I could not be more proud of the staff and administrators at Springhill. It is so good to see their hard work, dedication, and love for the students recognized with a national honor."; and

WHEREAS, Springhill Elementary Principal Russ Sherrill said, "Achieving this recognition is a tremendous honor. Like all schools across this state, we, too, work hard and spend long hours to ensure that our students are academically, socially, and emotionally successful. Every day I am so thankful for the efforts of our faculty and staff, the hard work of our students, the support from our parents, and the vision and direction we receive from our district. This community of learners is amazing, and I am blessed to be part of it."; and

WHEREAS, the students of Springhill Elementary School are to be commended for their hard work, dedication, and excellence in education,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the Senate recognize Springhill Elementary School as a 2022 Exemplary High Performing National Blue Ribbon School.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution shall be provided to Springhill Elementary School Principal Russ Sherrill by the Secretary of the Senate.