

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1824

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Dr. Tom Trigg.

WHEREAS, Dr. Tom Trigg, Superintendent of Blue Valley Unified School District No. 229, has been selected by the Kansas Association of School Administrators as the 2011 Kansas Superintendent of the Year and was a final four candidate for 2011 National Superintendent of the Year; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from Shawnee Mission West High School in 1970, Dr. Trigg received a bachelor of arts degree in mathematics and physical education teaching from Ottawa University, a master's degree in educational administration from Emporia State University and a doctorate in education from the University of Kansas; and

WHEREAS, In 1974, Dr. Trigg commenced his teaching career as a math instructor at Shawnee Mission Northwest High School; in 1979, Dr. Trigg was selected to serve as principal of Gardner Edgerton High School; and in 1985, Dr. Trigg began serving as Assistant Superintendent of Gardner Edgerton School District. Dr. Trigg started his career with Blue Valley Schools as Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services in 1996. In 2001, Dr. Trigg became Deputy Superintendent of Administrative Services for Blue Valley and served in that capacity until he was selected as the district's superintendent in 2004; and

WHEREAS, During Dr. Trigg's time as Superintendent of Blue Valley School District, student proficiency scores in reading have increased by nearly 15% and in mathematics by nearly 16%. Further, 97% of the students in the school district tested at or above the proficient level on the Kansas reading assessment and 96% of the students in the school district tested at or above the proficient level on the Kansas mathematics assessment; and students scoring exemplary in reading have risen from 43% to 56% and in mathematics from 35% to 52%. Additionally, the composite ACT score for Blue Valley School District is at an all time high of 25, with 86% of seniors taking the exam. Since implementation of the No Child Left Behind Act, all subgroups of all grades of all schools have attained adequate yearly progress, resulting in the only school district in the nation with 20,000 or more students to reach this achievement level. Moreover, in addition to his other responsibilities, Dr. Trigg created the Center for Advanced Professional Studies, which connects high school students with more than 230 businesses and 300 mentors in the community, and designed the program to be replicated throughout the nation: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend Dr. Tom Trigg upon his selection as the 2011 Kansas Superintendent of the Year; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate shall send two enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Vratil.

Senate Resolution No.1824 was sponsored by Senator John Vratil.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

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*President of the Senate.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*