SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1767

A Resolution congratulating Dr. Cynthia Lane on being named Kansas Superintendent of the Year.

WHEREAS, Dr. Cynthia Lane was named Kansas Superintendent of the Year by the Kansas School Superintendents' Association; and

WHEREAS, G.A. Buie, executive director of the Kansas School Superintendents' Association said: "Dr. Lane is a passionate advocate not only in her district, but for students across Kansas. She has demonstrated a clear commitment to preparing students for success by partnering with the Kansas City community to work to provide the best possible education for all children"; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lane is superintendent of the Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools (KCKPS), which serves 22,000 students in Kansas City, Kansas; and

WHEREAS, The KCKPS serves 22,000 students preK through 12th grade, almost 90% of whom qualify for free or reduced lunch. The district's focus is on college and career preparation for each student. The Diploma+ program, which began in 2014, has established the goal of graduating each student with a high school diploma, along with at least one of the following: At least one year of college completed; a technical degree or credential; or at least a 21 on the ACT; and

WHEREAS, Candidates for Superintendent of the Year are assessed according to their professionalism, communication, community involvement and leadership in meeting the needs of students; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lane has worked in education for more than 30 years, including the last 14 as an administrator in the Kansas City District, having served as an Assistant Superintendent, Director of Special Education, Associate Director of Special Education and a building principal, after beginning her career as a teacher; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lane is a member of the American Association of School Administrators, the Kansas-Missouri Superintendent Forum and the Kansas Department of Education Assessment Advisory Committee; chairs the Kansas School Superintendents' Association legislative committee; has been extremely active with the United School Administrators of Kansas, where she was recently honored with a USA|Kansas Outstanding Service Award; and began her leadership career as a member of the Kansas Association of Special Education Administrators; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lane is actively engaged in the community, serving as a board member on the Kansas City, Kansas Chamber of Commerce, Parents and Child Empowerment Services and the Country Club Bank Advisory Board: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we congratulate Dr. Cynthia Lane on being named Kansas Superintendent of the Year. We thank her for her great service to the students of Kansas, and we extend our best wishes for her success in the future; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send three enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Pettey.

Senate Resolution No. 1767 was sponsored by Senators Pettey, Fitzgerald and Haley.

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

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.