SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 920

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas takes pleasure in recognizing Jeanette Pursley on her retirement after 40 years of loyal service in the field of education in Texas; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Pursley is retiring as a second-grade teacher at Merkel Elementary School, where she has taught since 1973; she previously taught at Lake View Elementary School in San Angelo and at an elementary school in Garland; and

WHEREAS, She was born in Noodle, Texas, and earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Abilene Christian University in 1962; and

WHEREAS, She married Phillip Pursley, who became a Garland High School head coach, in 1960; the couple has three sons, two of whom are also in the teaching and coaching profession; and

WHEREAS, A dedicated and resourceful educator, Mrs. Pursley instilled in her students an appreciation for hard work and a love of learning; and

WHEREAS, She is well known for her dependability, her professionalism, and the positive influence she has had on the lives of her colleagues, her students, and their families; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend Jeanette Pursley for her contributions to the educational system of Texas and extend to her best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 20, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate