

Resolution

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 49

By: Standridge

A Resolution honoring Shawn Sheehan for being named the 2016 Oklahoma Teacher of the Year and a finalist for National Teacher of the Year; commending his dedication to Oklahoma's youth; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Shawn Sheehan has taught at Norman High School for five years as a specialized education algebra teacher; and

WHEREAS, he is admired for his passion in the classroom and his commitment to his students; and

WHEREAS, Sheehan uses a "flipped classroom" teaching style allowing students to engage in video segments while at home, and participate in discussion about the segments when returning to the classroom; and

WHEREAS, while participating in the Oklahoma State Department of Education's (OSDE) OKMath and OKSci Leadership program in 2013, he started "Teach Like Me", a multimedia campaign to boost public perceptions of teaching, recruit others into the field and improve morale among educators; and

WHEREAS, Sheehan is highly respected by students, his fellow teachers and administrators; and his work has made a significant impact on Norman High School as well as others; and

WHEREAS, his outstanding dedication and contributions to education in Oklahoma were recognized when he was named the 2016 Oklahoma Teacher of the Year and went on to become one of four finalist for National Teacher of the Year; and

WHEREAS, since being named Oklahoma Teacher of the Year, Sheehan has traveled the state speaking with future educators about the profession.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate honors Shawn Sheehan for being named the 2016 Oklahoma Teacher of the Year and being a finalist for National Teacher of the Year.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate commends his dedication to Oklahoma's youth.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the 2016 Oklahoma Teacher of the Year and National Teacher of the Year finalist, Shawn Sheehan.

Adopted by the Senate the 29th day of March, 2016.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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