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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 324

Offered January 10, 2007 Prefiled December 13, 2006

Designating August 28th, in 2007 and in each succeeding year, as Alson H. Smith Teachers' Day.

Patron—Potts

Referred to Committee on Rules

WHEREAS, August 28th has been designated as Alson H. Smith Teachers' Day in Frederick County and the City of Winchester in tribute to former Delegate Alson H. Smith's deep and abiding respect for teachers; and

WHEREAS, a special day should also be proclaimed in the Commonwealth to honor the dedicated people who teach our children and there is currently no such day designated at the state or the national level; and

WHEREAS, a special day honoring Virginia's teachers is in the best interest of the teaching profession, would increase the morale of individual teachers, and would be in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, Alson H. Smith Teachers' Day would be a day to honor the outstanding teachers in the Commonwealth at no additional cost to its taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, every effort should be made by the General Assembly and the citizens of Virginia to encourage the federal government to designate August 28th as National Teachers' Day; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly designate August 28th, in 2007 and in each succeeding year, as Alson H. Smith Teachers' Day; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the General Assembly encourage the citizens of the Commonwealth to observe this day in August by honoring Virginia's exemplary teachers and their many accomplishments on behalf of our young people; and, be it

RESOLVED FINALLY, That the Clerk of the Senate post the designation of this day on the General Assembly's website.