BY SENATOR POPE

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Ms. Tracie M. Porter on her induction into the 2021 Curriculum Associates' class of extraordinary educators.

WHEREAS, Curriculum Associates, an educational technology and publishing company focused on data-driven instruction, has established an annual tradition of celebrating best-in-class teachers through the Extraordinary Educators program, recognizing educators from across the nation who meet established criteria; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Class of Extraordinary Educators includes a group of forty-four kindergarten through eighth grade educators from twenty-six states who met the criteria of illustrating growth and achievement through formal assessments, demonstrating classroom innovation and engagement practices for students, promoting high standards and student achievement, and exhibiting masterful use of i-Ready or Ready instructional resources designed by Curriculum Associates in their classrooms; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Tracie M. Porter, of Holden, Louisiana, was named as an inductee of the 2021 Class of Extraordinary Educators, as she exemplifies the characteristics that Curriculum Associates seeks to foster with the program; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Porter earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Southeastern Louisiana University at Hammond and has sixteen years of experience in mathematics education; she currently teaches sixth grade math and math enrichment at Holden School and has previously taught eighth grade math and math enrichment, seventh grade math, and seventh grade accelerated math; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Porter, the oldest of thirteen children, has been married twenty-nine years and is the proud mother of two children who are both registered nurses, and in her leisure time she enjoys visiting with her family; and

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WHEREAS, believing that student success begins with attitudes of confidence and respect and that learning must be designed to engage students in their endeavors, Ms. Porter focuses on the students' strengths to increase their self-assurance; and

WHEREAS, as an inductee into the 2021 Class of Extraordinary Educators, Ms. Porter has received local and national recognition, become a member of a network of educators from around the country, and earned professional development opportunities, including the opportunity to attend the Extraordinary Educators Leadership Summit in Boston, Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Porter's accomplishments and service as an educator are deserving of honor and recognition.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Ms. Tracie M. Porter for being named an Extraordinary Educator for 2021 by Curriculum Associates.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Ms. Tracie M. Porter.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE