

RESOLUTION NO. 180903

Recognizing Dr. Jeremy Tucker as the 2019 Missouri Superintendent of the Year.

WHEREAS, the Missouri Association of School Administrators selected Dr. Jeremy Tucker, Liberty Public Schools as the 2019 Superintendent of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tucker successfully directed a 'student-centered' approach to the learning process in the district and his leadership, insight and commitment to education is sought after by other educational leaders in Missouri and across the country; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tucker's fifth year as Liberty School District Superintendent directed a facility master planning process resulting in a \$49 million no-tax increase bond issue. Dr. Tucker was named as a recipient of the "20 to Watch" educators for 2016-2017 by the National School Boards Association. Liberty Public Schools was accepted in 2017 to the Digital Promise League of Innovative Schools; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tucker first started at Liberty, sharing his entry plan around the question, "What does it mean to be learner-centered?" A series of listening and learning interviews, district leadership meetings, and community engagement, formed its 'Vision Priorities' including: relationships, informed decision making, personalization, learner agency, and growth mindset. These priorities are followed in the district today; and

WHEREAS, Liberty Schools are known for high academic performance. Leaders in innovation: 1:1 technology integration, arts integration, STEAM, EPiC Elementary, Northland CAPS, Open Education Resources, and Project Based Learning. These innovations increased engagement and creativity, making gains in diversity, equity and inclusion. Realizing the work done helped identify students who were under-represented in high level courses such as Advance Placement, Honors and Dual Credit;

WHEREAS, communications is a vital aspect of the work of Dr. Tucker and the Liberty Public Schools. Among the methods of delivering the district's message are ongoing contact with internal and external audiences, monthly coffee with the community, State of the District meetings at all LPS buildings, social media, and regular contact with district parent groups; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

That the Mayor and Council hereby acknowledges the importance of recognizing Dr. Jeremy Tucker as the 2019 Missouri Superintendent of the Year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the Council in testimony thereof and that a copy hereof be presented to Dr. Jeremy Tucker, as a token of appreciation by the Mayor and the Council for many years of dedicated service and best wishes for all the years to come.

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Authenticated as Passed


Sly James, Mayor


Marilyn Sanders, City Clerk

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