

1 **State of Arkansas**  
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4 **By: Senators Bradford, Edwards, Holiman, Yates, Fitch, Snyder, Jewell, Miles, and Keet**

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6 **SENATE RESOLUTION**

7 CONGRATULATING THE ARKANSAS RECIPIENTS OF THE MILKEN  
8 FAMILY FOUNDATION NATIONAL EDUCATOR AWARDS AND COMMENDING  
9 THEM FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO PUBLIC  
10 EDUCATION IN ARKANSAS.

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12 **Subtitle**

13 COMMENDING THE ARKANSAS RECIPIENTS OF THE MILKEN FAMILY  
14 FOUNDATION NATIONAL EDUCATOR AWARDS.

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16 WHEREAS, the six Arkansas educators listed below have been signally  
17 recognized by the Milken Family Foundation as outstanding educators:

18 Brenda Sivils Ball is an English, literature and writing teacher at Pine  
19 Bluff High School in the Pine Bluff School District, a teacher for twenty-one  
20 years who is known for her enthusiasm for both teaching and learning, is  
21 recognized as an outstanding professional across the state, is very active in  
22 several professional organizations, and was chosen as the 1992 Arkansas  
23 Teacher of the Year;

24 Linda Childers is principal of Thurman G. Smith Elementary School in the  
25 Springdale School District, and her leadership abilities, coupled with her  
26 enthusiasm and ability to motivate, have resulted in her school receiving  
27 numerous awards, including the Excellence in Education Award from the U.S.  
28 Department of Education and the Arkansas Elementary School Award of  
29 Excellence;

30 S. Irving Granderson is a seventh-grade science teacher at Elmwood  
31 Junior High School in the Rogers School District. His inspiring and  
32 innovative "hands-on" approach to teaching science led to Mr. Granderson being  
33 selected as a Presidential Award Winner in Math and Science by the national  
34 Science Foundation in 1989. He has had several articles published and has  
35 received numerous grant awards;

36 Yoriko "Lola" Perritt is a science specialist at Carver Math/Science

1 Magnet School in the Little Rock School District. Described by her colleagues  
2 as "bubbly" and "excited about teaching and learning", Ms. Perritt\_s  
3 enthusiasm is contagious to both students and her teachers. Recognized  
4 statewide as an outstanding teacher by her peers, Ms. Perritt is a 1990  
5 recipient of the Presidential Award for Science;

6 David Rainey is principal of Dumas High School. Recognized as an  
7 effective administrator and leader, Mr. Rainey constantly works with his staff  
8 on curriculum and assessment improvements. He serves as a positive influence  
9 not only in his school, but in his community as well. Very active in several  
10 professional organizations, Mr. Rainey currently serves as president of the  
11 Arkansas Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development;

12 Lynn Smith is an art teacher at Northside High School in the Fort Smith  
13 School District. His innovative teaching techniques, coupled with his  
14 enthusiasm, have garnered Mr. Smith several state and national awards. He was  
15 most recently selected as the 1992 Arkansas Art Educator of the Year.

16 WHEREAS, these dedicated educators inspire their students, make learning  
17 come alive and demand excellence and high expectations in their schools and  
18 classrooms; and

19 WHEREAS, the persons listed above are most deserving of public  
20 commendations and congratulations for their outstanding contribution to public  
21 education in Arkansas and for being selected as 1992 recipients of the Milken  
22 Family Foundation National Educator Awards,

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24 NOW THEREFORE,

25 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE  
26 STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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28 That the Senate hereby commends Brenda Sivils Ball of Pine Bluff; Linda  
29 Childers of Springdale; S. Irving Granderson of Rogers; Yoriko Perritt of  
30 Little Rock; David Rainey of Dumas; and Lynn Smith of Fort Smith for their  
31 outstanding contributions to public education in Arkansas and congratulates  
32 them upon their selection as 1992 recipients of the Milken Family Foundation  
33 National Educator Awards.

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