

## SENATE COMMEMORATION NO. 3

Introduced by: Senators Schlekeway, Cutler, Heineman, Johnston, Krebs, and Rave and Representatives Hubbel and Willadsen

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Congratulating and honoring South Dakota's 2010 Milken Educator, Wade Helleson from Sioux Falls.

WHEREAS, Wade Helleson, a teacher in the Sioux Falls School District for the past twelve years, is currently a kindergarten through fifth grade instructional coach at Lowell Elementary School in Sioux Falls, where he is widely recognized for his role in developing the school's visionary academic environment; and

WHEREAS, Wade Helleson designed the school's website, and has been instrumental in integrating technology across all subjects and grades, and his teaching style emphasizes innovation, creativity, and hands-on activity; and

WHEREAS, Wade Helleson mentors new teachers, coaches teachers, assists with curriculum integration and community-based learning opportunities, organizes the school's science fair, and worked to obtain a grant for the school's indoor garden:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Eighty-sixth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that Wade Helleson be congratulated and honored for his selection as South Dakota's Milken Educator for 2010, an award given to celebrate, elevate, and activate exemplary teachers.

