

SENATE COMMEMORATION NO. 9

Introduced by: Senators Wismer and Wiik and Representatives McCleerey, Deutsch, Mills,
and St John

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Commending and honoring Denise Lutkemeier, President of the Wilmot School District Board of Education, on her selection as the Associated School Boards of South Dakota's Outstanding School Board Member of South Dakota for 2018.

WHEREAS, Denise Lutkemeier has served the Wilmot School Board for eighteen years with exemplary leadership qualities that embody the spirit of school board service and advanced student learning; and

WHEREAS, Denise strongly supports professional development for staff members by offering stipends and board payment for classes and workshops, and proposed a tuition reimbursement program for teaching staff, as well as a longevity pay plan to reward loyalty and help retain staff; and

WHEREAS, Denise has been an advocate for strategic planning with a desire to set goals for students and staff that improve educational opportunities, and she encourages roundtable discussions to allow board members to meet with staff to discuss and set goals; and

WHEREAS, Denise always encourages others to make decisions in the best interest of all students:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Ninety-Fourth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that during 2019, Denise Lutkemeier, of Wilmot, South Dakota, is hereby an official representative of the state and shall continue in her efforts to seek enhancement of the educational opportunities for the K-12 students of the state.

