

Resolution

Whereas, Mrs. Anna King is a graduate of Oklahoma City Public Schools, having attended Quail Creek Elementary, North Highland 5th Year Center, F.D. Moon Middle School, Capitol Hill High School, and Emerson Alternative High School; and,

Whereas, while an OKCPS student, Anna participated in basketball, track, cross country, and Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA) and was honored as the Quail Creek Student of the Month, F.D. Moon Basketball Player of the Year, and Capitol Hill High School Athlete of the Year; and,

Whereas, since 2005, Anna has served as a board member of the Douglass Law and Public Safety Academy, secretary and president of the Douglass High School Parent Teacher Student Association, president of the Oklahoma City Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Council, and president of the Oklahoma State PTA; and,

Whereas, after serving in numerous executive level positions—and president-elect since 2019—in 2021, Anna was elected president of the National Parent Teacher Association, the largest child advocacy organization in the country; and,

Whereas, Anna has been recognized with the Frederick A. Douglass Volunteer of the Year Award, the Oklahoma, Montana, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Utah, Wisconsin, and Massachusetts National PTA Lifetime Membership Awards, and the Georgia PTA Visionary Leader Award; and,

Whereas, Anna is involved in other community activities, including OK-MDA School Safety co-lead, member of the West Ed Advisory Board and equity advisory member for the Oklahoma State Department of Education; and,

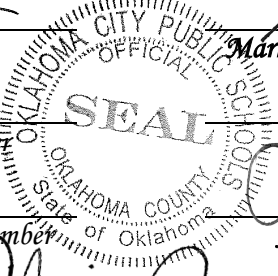
Whereas, Oklahoma PTA Director Sherry Reimer said “King constantly seeks to advance child advocacy and parent engagement. What King hasn’t already learned, she’s eager to understand through reading, asking and attending meetings;” and,

Whereas, Kathleen Kennedy, former communications director for Oklahoma City Public Schools, said, “what makes a great leader is you take the time to hear everyone and their input and you continue to advocate for the child. She believes in the power of every single child, and she speaks for every single child ... There’s no bigger advocate than Anna King;” and,

Whereas, Anna is a proud mother of three children and Nana of eleven who believes “... every child needs a voice at the table advocating for them. Our teachers and our staff need support for our children and who better to ask to be involved and engaged in our schools than parents and our community. Everything is possible for all children and being an inclusive association is key to better serve the many families and communities across the country.”

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Oklahoma City Public Schools Board of Education, take great pride in recognizing and honoring Mrs. Anna King for her decades of exemplary service, and leadership, in local, state, and national PTAs successfully working with teachers and administrators to improve the educational programs, and lives, of thousands of students. Her national-level stature reflects great credit upon her and our school district, city, and state.

Dated this 6th day of June, 2022.


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