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17 Year Veteran Public School Teacher Featured in, New “Better Schools Ad”

\$1.3 Million Effort Will Use Veteran North Carolina Educator To Praise Speaker Thom Tillis and Gov. McCrory’s Results On Teacher Pay And School Funding

(Raleigh) -- Judy Wilburn, a veteran teacher of 26 years, seventeen in the North Carolina public schools, is taking to the airwaves in a new Carolina Rising television spot to educate citizens on the true record of school funding by North Carolina House Speaker Thom Tillis and Governor Pat McCrory.

“As a teacher, when someone gets something wrong, I correct it.

So when I see these negative ads, talking about massive budget cuts and textbook shortages

THAT is incorrect.

Thanks to the leadership of Governor McCrory and Speaker Thom Tillis, North Carolina has INCREASED funding for public schools by a billion dollars.

Teachers are being paid more.

And student performance is rising.

For North Carolina schools, The Governor and Speaker Thom Tillis deserve high marks.”

The \$1.3 million dollar campaign begins on Friday, September 12 and will run all across North Carolina.

Judy Wilburn has taught special education for the last 17 years in Yadkin County. She is married with two grown children. She has been teaching for 26 years.

“North Carolina citizens should not believe these lies currently being told on television about our public schools. One of the key missions of Carolina Rising is to help inform the public how new policies are making North Carolina a better place to live, raise a family and do business”, said Dallas Woodhouse, President of Carolina Rising. “Speaker Thom Tillis and Governor McCrory should be proud of their work to raise teacher pay, increase school funding and improve our public schools. This effort helps parents hear from a great veteran educator and simply know the facts.”

[Link to Better Schools Ad](#)

See this expanded video clip with Judy Wilburn talking about herself, education and the Thom Tillis lead pay raise

[Link to Judy Wilburn Interview](#)

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The Mission of Carolina Rising is to champion sound public policy that secures a rising and thriving North Carolina.

An innovative citizen engagement organization, Carolina Rising supports free market, education and government reform policies that will guarantee a better North Carolina for future generations. Organized as a 501 C-4, Carolina Rising seeks to aggressively promote sound public policies and individual freedoms and seeks to educate citizens by comparing & contrasting competing visions for the Tar Heel State.

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