

House Resolution 1344

By: Representatives Ehrhart of the 36th, Wiles of the 34th, Kaye of the 37th, Parsons of the 40th and Wix of the 33rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending and congratulating Patricia A. Gendron; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Patricia A. Gendron has been honored as the 2001 GSCA Middle School and
- 3 Junior High School Counselor of the Year; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Ms. Gendron is an eighth grade counselor at Mabry Middle School; and
- 5 WHEREAS, a graduate of Anna Maria College in Paxton, Massachusetts, she received a
- 6 Master's of Education degree from Fitchburg State College in Fitchburg, Massachusetts; and
- 7 WHEREAS, she helps students prepare for high school and college through handouts,
- 8 newsletters, and classes where students write application letters, take interest inventories, and
- 9 learn to write resumes and cover letters. She also teaches students how to gather information
- 10 concerning potential college choices, including curricula and costs; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Ms. Gendron's distinguished career has included organizing "Career Expo
- 12 Days" where professionals from various occupations share career information so that students
- 13 have the opportunity to make informed career choices; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Ms. Gendron also helped organize "Career Shadow Day" where students
- 15 interviewed, were "hired" for a specific job, and then "worked" in a department at a local
- 16 Kroger store; and
- 17 WHEREAS, as a cancer survivor, she has set a tremendous example to the students through
- 18 her determination and courage, and she helped Mabry Peer Helpers collect \$1,200.00 for
- 19 their "Pennies for Patients" campaign to raise funds for leukemia patients; and

1 WHEREAS, as a testament to her tremendous mentoring abilities, three students who Ms.
2 Gendron supervised as they worked toward their degrees in guidance and counseling have
3 been hired by county school systems; and

4 WHEREAS, Ms. Gendron's philosophy of working hard, treating students with respect and
5 compassion, and leading by example, greatly contributed to her being recognized as 2001
6 GSCA Middle School and Junior High School Counselor of the Year.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
8 the members of this body do hereby commend and congratulate Patricia A. Gendron as the
9 2001 GSCA Middle School and Junior High School Counselor of the Year, and express their
10 sincere appreciation for her years of outstanding dedication to education in the State of
11 Georgia.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
13 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Patricia A. Gendron.