

House Resolution 477

By: Representative Hudgens of the 24th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Brooke Kesler; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Brooke Kesler is the First Place Winner at Madison County High School in the
3 2000-2001 American Psychiatric Association Auxiliary's High School Essay Contest "When
4 Not To Keep A Secret"; and

5 WHEREAS, the essay contest is sponsored by the American Psychiatric Association, its
6 Auxiliary, and the state psychiatric societies as a community education program to stop
7 violence and encourage communication between students and teachers and between students
8 and parents; and

9 WHEREAS, in a nonthreatening environment, the contest creates an awareness that violent
10 talk can lead to violent action and teaches students that it is OK not to keep a secret that is
11 dangerous or frightening; and

12 WHEREAS, the prevention of violence among youth is a national concern, and the essay
13 contest is a healthy, helpful means to discuss teenage violence, warning signs, and prevention
14 measures; and

15 WHEREAS, the public is aware of the increased incidence of violence among American
16 youth, and community education projects such as this essay contest promote better
17 understanding and hope for change.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
19 the members of this body recognize and commend Brooke Kesler on being selected as the
20 First Place Winner at Madison County High School in the 2000-2001 American Psychiatric
21 Association Auxiliary's High School Essay Contest "When Not To Keep A Secret".

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Brooke Kesler.