

House Resolution 781

By: Representative Holland of the 157th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Mrs. Julie Rivers Sumner; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mrs. Julie Rivers Sumner was born on June 21, 1949, the daughter of John C.
3 and Mildred Smith Rivers; and
- 4 WHEREAS, she graduated with honors from Worth County High School in 1967 and summa
5 cum laude from Georgia Southern College in 1971 with a bachelor of arts degree in
6 elementary education, and she received a master's degree in elementary education and an
7 education specialist degree in administrative/supervision from Valdosta State College; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she has dedicated her life to the teaching profession, guiding young lives not
9 only through the learning process but also in the development of the person, and her 30 years
10 of commitment are evidenced by the improvement of student achievement in Worth County;
11 and
- 12 WHEREAS, she and her husband, Ronald, are the proud parents of a son, Scott; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Mrs. Sumner is a member of the Georgia Association of Educational Leaders
14 (GAEL), the Georgia Staff Development Council, the Professional Association of Georgia
15 Educators (PAGE), and the National Association for Supervision and Curriculum
16 Development; and
- 17 WHEREAS, her career has carried her to various teaching and administrative positions in
18 Worth County, Georgia, including Minton School, the Worth County Board of Education,
19 Parker School, Deariso Primary School, and Worth County Primary School, where she
20 served as Principal; and
- 21 WHEREAS, her many awards and honors for that she and her institutions under her
22 leadership have achieved include: GACIS 1987 Outstanding Supervisor for State of GA;

1 1985 2nd district winner Worth County Primary School, Accreditation through Southern
2 Association of Colleges and Schools, School Improvement Grant, recipient of GA School
3 Bell Award 1998 and 2000, Pay for Performance grant, National 2000 Distinguished Title
4 I School; and

5 WHEREAS, Julie Rivers Sumner's career goal has been to make a difference in the lives of
6 Worth County children, and her vision, innovative leadership, and professional integrity in
7 her 30 years of commitment are evidenced by the improvement of student achievement in
8 Worth County.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
10 the members of this body commend Mrs. Julie Rivers Sumner for her many years of
11 dedicated service and wish her many happy years in retirement.

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 Mrs. Julie Rivers Sumner.