

Senate Resolution 118

By: Senator Tolleson of the 18th

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Mary Gentry; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mary Gentry is widely recognized throughout the state as the personification  
3 of excellence in education; and

4 WHEREAS, this highly respected teacher in the Houston County school system has served  
5 with honor and distinction as a professional educator in mathematics at Perry High School;  
6 and

7 WHEREAS, she believes that her role as a teacher is to act as an instrument of inspiration  
8 and enthusiasm to her pupils and to create a positive learning environment through the  
9 encouragement of competitive instincts in her students; and

10 WHEREAS, in recognition of her outstanding dedication to academic achievement, she was  
11 named 2002 State STAR teacher; and

12 WHEREAS, she is a shining example of the important impact that the efforts of individual  
13 classroom teachers are making on the quality of education received by the children of this  
14 state and it is abundantly fitting and proper that her superlative accomplishments be  
15 recognized appropriately.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
17 heartily and gratefully commend Mary Gentry for her sacrifice, foresight, accomplishment,  
18 and contributions on behalf of education in Georgia and for the positive influence she has  
19 had upon the lives and futures of so many young people in this state and congratulate her  
20 upon her being named 2002 State STAR teacher.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
22 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mary Gentry.