

House Resolution 721

By: Representatives Porter of the 143rd and Hugley of the 133rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and expressing gratitude to Dr. Brenda Shuman-Riley, the 2006 Georgia
2 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Shuman-Riley, who is widely recognized throughout the state as the
4 personification of excellence in education, has been selected at the 2006 Georgia Teacher of
5 the Year; and

6 WHEREAS, after more than 30 years as an educator, Dr. Shuman-Riley has had an extensive
7 and distinguished career, having served as an assistant principal, principal, and educational
8 consultant before returning to the classroom to teach English at Dublin High School; and

9 WHEREAS, believing that every Georgia student not only has a right to be educated, but,
10 more importantly, a need to be educated, she takes personal responsibility for motivating and
11 meeting the individual needs of her students; and

12 WHEREAS, through her unique projects and the inspirational quotations that fill her
13 classroom, she encourages students to believe in themselves, to pursue every opportunity for
14 personal growth, to make a commitment to excellence in every aspect of their lives, and to
15 develop a love of learning which will be beneficial to them throughout their lives; and

16 WHEREAS, as the Georgia Teacher of the Year, Dr. Shuman-Riley will serve as an
17 educational ambassador for all Georgia public schools, their students, and teachers, taking
18 a one-year sabbatical during which she will speak throughout the state, conduct staff
19 development activities, serve on state-wide committees, and participate in a number of
20 state-wide conferences.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
22 the members of this body commend the 2006 Georgia Teacher of the Year, Dr. Brenda

1 Shuman-Riley, and expresses their gratitude for the great credit this outstanding educator
2 reflects upon her school and school system and the State of Georgia.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
4 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Brenda Shuman-Riley.