

House Resolution 846

By: Representative Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending educator Tony Guisasola; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Tony Guisasola has been named the 2007 Dawson County Schools Teacher of  
3 the Year and the 2007 Georgia Alternative Schools Teacher of the Year for his spirited and  
4 creative service as a science teacher at Crossroads School in Dawson County; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Guisasola qualified as an education major for a study abroad program in  
6 the fall of 1976 at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland, where he worked as a student  
7 teacher for grades K-9 and absolutely fell in love with the profession; and

8 WHEREAS, he graduated from University of Arizona in 1978 with a degree from the  
9 College of Education, and accepted his first teaching job in the Republic of Panama working  
10 for the Chiquita Banana Company, where he taught for two years before he began teaching  
11 in Georgia in 1981; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Guisasola epitomizes his dedication to teaching by stating his favorite  
13 motto, "If a child can't learn the way we teach, maybe we should teach the way they learn,"  
14 comparing a teacher who repeats an ineffective technique to a doctor that repeatedly  
15 prescribes the wrong medicine; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Guisasola impresses on his students the importance to take responsibility  
17 for how they choose to live while supplying them with the respect and support they need to  
18 take control of their own lives; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Guisasola has thoroughly demonstrated his strong commitment to public  
20 education by his service as a member of the Gilmer County Board of Education; and

1 WHEREAS, Tony Guisasola, who cites that his strongest quality as a teacher is his ability  
2 to help students find value and worth in themselves, has brought honor to the teaching  
3 profession, the Dawson County community, and the State of Georgia.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
5 the members recognize the inspiring life of this distinguished Georgia educator, Tony  
6 Guisasola; commend his dedication and astute sensitivity to the needs of this state's youth;  
7 and extend to him their sincerest best wishes for the future.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
9 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Tony Guisasola.