

House Resolution 1417

By: Representatives Benton of the 31st and McCall of the 30th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Sanford Freeman; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Sanford Freeman has been named Jefferson High School's STAR teacher
3 for 2008; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Sanford has been teaching for 26 years, beginning his career in Athens,
5 Georgia, at the upper school as a teacher and football coach for five years, continuing on to
6 the middle school for 20 years, and moving to Jefferson High School in 2006; and
- 7 WHEREAS, at Jefferson High School, he teaches a variety of social studies courses and
8 sponsors the Academic Bowl team, and this past fall he designed and launched an Advanced
9 Placement U. S. History program; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mr. Freeman is from Decatur, Georgia, although his family is originally from
11 the Hoschton and Dacula areas; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he graduated from the University of Georgia with a degree in journalism in
13 1975; and returned in the early 1980's to obtain graduate degrees in Social Sciences
14 Education and Education Administration; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he spent four years in the U. S. Navy as a navigation officer and two years in
16 the corporate world with Proctor and Gamble; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he is married to the former Jan Shurbutt of Elberton, Georgia, who works with
18 the Terry College of Business, and they have five wonderful daughters, ages 18-25.
- 19 WHEREAS, he is a shining example of the important impact that the efforts of individual
20 classroom teachers make on the quality of education received by the children of this state,
21 and it is abundantly fitting and proper that his superlative accomplishments be recognized.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body heartily and gratefully commend Mr. Sanford Freeman for his
3 sacrifice, foresight, accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of education in Georgia and
4 for the positive influence he has had upon the lives and futures of so many young people in
5 this state and congratulate him upon his selection as a STAR teacher.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
7 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Sanford Freeman.