

Senate Resolution 1332

By: Senators Jackson of the 24th, Chapman of the 3rd, Goggans of the 7th, Cowsert of the 46th and Murphy of the 27th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mrs. Kathy Neal; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mrs. Kathy Neal, an educator at Thomson High School, is widely recognized
3 throughout her community and the state as the personification of excellence in education; and
- 4 WHEREAS, in recognition of her outstanding dedication to academic achievement, Mrs.
5 Neal has been named the 2011 McDuffie County Teacher of the Year; and
- 6 WHEREAS, an educator for eight years, Mrs. Neal teaches tenth grade chemistry and
7 eleventh grade college preparatory physical science and has taught sixth grade and grades
8 eight through 12; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mrs. Neal entered the field of education after a successful 25 year career as a
10 registered pharmacist and greets each day in the classroom with enthusiasm and passion; and
- 11 WHEREAS, a talented embroiderer, Mrs. Neal has taught needlework conferences and
12 workshops in 39 states and appeared as a guest artist for three seasons of a television series
13 through Alabama's Center for Public Television in Tuscaloosa; and
- 14 WHEREAS, she spent five summers in London earning a Certificate in Embroidery from the
15 Royal School of Needlework, which trains professional embroiderers to maintain Britain's
16 textile treasures; and
- 17 WHEREAS, she is united in love and marriage to Tommy Neal, a Thomson native, product
18 of the McDuffie County School System, and a fourth generation dentist; and
- 19 WHEREAS, nothing is more vital to the future of our state than the education of our young
20 people, and during her teaching career, Mrs. Neal has exemplified the selfless dedication and
21 professionalism which are characteristic of our finest educators; and

22 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this body join in expressing appreciation to Mrs. Neal for
23 her outstanding efforts and accomplishments in education.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
25 congratulate Mrs. Kathy Neal upon her selection as Teacher of the Year and express
26 gratitude for the great credit this fine educator reflects upon the McDuffie County School
27 System and the State of Georgia.

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29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
30 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Kathy Neal.