

House Resolution 553

By: Representatives Taylor of the 55th, Ashe of the 56th, Sinkfield of the 60th, Bruce of the 64th, Shipp of the 58th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Ms. Beverly Hall and inviting her to appear before the House of
2 Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Ms. Beverly Hall has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the
4 vital role that she has played in the teaching profession and her deep personal commitment
5 to the education of the students of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Ms. Hall serves as superintendent of Atlanta schools and has been named the
7 nation's top superintendent by the American Association of School Administrators; and

8 WHEREAS, since Ms. Hall became Atlanta's Superintendent in 1999, the city's schools have
9 seen an increase in graduation rates, improved test scores, and enhanced teacher training; and

10 WHEREAS, during her tenure as superintendent, Atlanta School System's on-time
11 graduation rate rose from 39 percent in 2002 to an amazing 72 percent in 2008; and

12 WHEREAS, her significant organizational and leadership talents, her remarkable patience
13 and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her sensitivity to the needs of the students of
14 this state have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues, associates, students,
15 and community; and

16 WHEREAS, in recognition of her contributions to the students in this state, it is abundantly
17 fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary commitment and accomplishments
18 of this outstanding individual.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 the members of this body heartily and gratefully commend Ms. Beverly Hall for her sacrifice,
21 foresight, accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of education in Georgia and for the

22 positive influence she has had upon the lives and futures of countless young people in this
23 state.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Ms. Beverly Hall is invited to appear before the House
25 of Representatives at an appropriate date and time to be determined by the Speaker of the
26 House to receive a copy of this resolution.