

House Resolution 631

By: Representatives England of the 108th and Benton of the 31st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Betty Joe Wallace; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Dr. Betty Joe Wallace is widely recognized throughout the state as the
3 personification of excellence in education; and
- 4 WHEREAS, this highly respected teacher has served with honor and distinction as a
5 professional educator at Apalachee High School where she teaches biology; and
- 6 WHEREAS, in recognition of her outstanding dedication to academic achievement, she has
7 been named Apalachee High School's 2009 STAR Teacher; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Dr. Wallace grew up near Richmond, Virginia, and earned a bachelor's degree
9 from Longwood College, a master's degree in biology from the University of Alabama, and
10 a doctorate degree in genetics from the University of Georgia; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Dr. Wallace began her teaching career at Kennesaw State University before
12 obtaining her doctorate degree and worked as an educator in the Oconee County School
13 System for several years where she was recognized as a STAR Teacher three times and was
14 a finalist for the Georgia Teacher of the Year program; and
- 15 WHEREAS, she is a shining example of the important impact that the efforts of individual
16 classroom teachers are making on the quality of education received by the children of this
17 state and it is abundantly fitting and proper that her superlative accomplishments be
18 recognized appropriately.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 the members of this body heartily and gratefully commend Dr. Betty Joe Wallace for her
21 sacrifice, foresight, accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of education in Georgia and
22 for the positive influence she has had upon the lives and futures of so many young people in

23 this state and congratulate her upon her being named Apalachee High School's 2009 STAR
24 Teacher.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Betty Joe Wallace.