

House Resolution 1038

By: Representative Dempsey of the 13th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Alexandra Dodd, Darlington School's 2009 STAR Student, and Mrs. Julia O.
2 Dodd, Darlington School's 2009 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, a proper quality education for the young people of this state is the single most
4 important objective of the General Assembly; and

5 WHEREAS, the STAR program, sponsored by the Georgia Chamber of Commerce and the
6 Professional Association of Georgia Educators, focuses public attention on Georgia's
7 outstanding students and the teachers who have been most instrumental in their academic
8 development; and

9 WHEREAS, to be selected as a STAR Student for a high school, a student must have
10 obtained the highest score in one administration of the new three-part Scholastic Aptitude
11 Test taken through the November test date of his or her senior year and be in the top ten
12 percent or top ten students of his or her class; and

13 WHEREAS, during her time at Darlington School, Alexandra has taken 15 honors and
14 advanced placement courses and has been a member of the National Honor Society, Mu
15 Alpha Theta, and the Spanish Honor Society; and

16 WHEREAS, in addition to her academic achievements, Alexandra is active in many
17 organizations at Darlington School, including the Math Team, Science Club, Concert Choir,
18 Concert Band, Stadium Band, and the varsity rowing, swimming, track, and volleyball teams;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, each school has one STAR Student who in turn has the opportunity to choose
21 a STAR Teacher that has inspired and encouraged them throughout their high school career;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, Alexandra chose her mother, Mrs. Julia O. Dodd, as her STAR Teacher for the
24 support and guidance she has provided throughout the years both inside the classroom and
25 out; and

26 WHEREAS, Mrs. Dodd earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia and a
27 master's degree from North Georgia College, and she teaches advanced placement, honors,
28 and organic chemistry; and

29 WHEREAS, this STAR Student has personified the selfless dedication, mental agility, verbal
30 adroitness, and personal maturity necessary for superlative academic performance; and

31 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia looks with great anticipation toward the future of this
32 bright and promising young citizen and her STAR Teacher, Mrs. Dodd.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
34 the members of this body commend Alexandra Dodd on her selection as Darlington School's
35 2009 STAR Student, congratulate Mrs. Julie O. Dodd on her distinction as Darlington
36 School's 2009 STAR Teacher, and express to them their sincere best wishes for continued
37 success.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
39 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Alexandra Dodd and Mrs.
40 Julie O. Dodd.