

House Resolution 65

By: Representatives Talton of the 145th, O'Neal of the 146th, and Harden of the 147th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Gwendolyn S. Taylor on being named Georgia's Middle
2 School Principal of the Year; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Gwendolyn S. Taylor has dedicated over 25 years to improving the lives
4 of children in Houston County, Georgia, through her work as an educator and principal, and
5 she has recently been recognized as Georgia's Middle School Principal of the Year; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Taylor earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Fort Valley State
7 College, an educational specialist degree in middle grades education from Georgia
8 Southwestern, and an educational specialist degree in leadership and administration and a
9 doctor of education degree from the University of Georgia; and

10 WHEREAS, she began her career in education as a science teacher at Bert Rumble Middle
11 School, where she was nominated for Earth Science Teacher of the Year, served as a member
12 of the Superintendent Textbook Adoption Committee, and was awarded Teacher of the Year
13 for 1990-91; and

14 WHEREAS, in 1995, Dr. Taylor joined Tabor Middle School as assistant principal, helping
15 to lead the school for three years before returning to Bert Rumble Middle School to serve as
16 the school's principal; and

17 WHEREAS, she was instrumental in ensuring the smooth transition of Bert Rumble Middle
18 School to the new Huntington Middle School in 2005, helping students, faculty, and staff
19 adjust to the their new surroundings; and

20 WHEREAS, as a principal, Dr. Taylor's school has been selected as a Georgia School of
21 Excellence, and since at Huntington Middle School the school has earned the Silver Cup
22 Award from the Governor's Office of Student Achievement and was selected as a Title I
23 Distinguished School for five years; and

24 WHEREAS, Dr. Taylor is a shining example of the quality educators committed to public
25 education both in Houston County and the State of Georgia.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
27 the members of this body commend Dr. Gwendolyn S. Taylor on her dedication to the
28 education of Georgia's youth and congratulate her upon her well deserved recognition as
29 Georgia's Middle School Principal of the Year.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Gwendolyn S. Taylor.