

## Senate Resolution 337

By: Senators Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd and Seay of the 34th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Samuel T. King on being named Georgia's 2011  
2 Superintendent of the Year; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Samuel T. King has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for  
4 the vital role that he has played in the teaching profession and his deep personal commitment  
5 to the education of the students of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, a native of Smithville, Georgia, Dr. King earned a bachelor's degree in middle  
7 grades education from Mercer University, a master's degree and specialist degree in  
8 education administration and supervision from State University of West Georgia, and a  
9 doctorate degree in educational leadership from the University of Sarasota; and

10 WHEREAS, Dr. King began his career in education over 26 years ago as a fifth grade  
11 science and math teacher in Stone Mountain, Georgia, and over the years has taught middle  
12 and high school levels; and

13 WHEREAS, he has served in various administrative capacities, including assistant principal,  
14 principal, area executive officer, area assistant superintendent, and assistant superintendent;  
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Dr. King has served as superintendent of Rockdale County Public Schools since  
17 2005, where he has earned respect and admiration for maintaining a debt-free school system  
18 and leading the school system to achieve Adequate Yearly Progress for the past five years;  
19 and

20 WHEREAS, this year he has been recognized as Georgia's 2011 Superintendent of the Year  
21 after three years of being nominated for the prestigious award; and

22 WHEREAS, during his tenure as superintendent of Rockdale County Public Schools,  
23 Dr. King developed and implemented a five-year strategic plan using the community to assist  
24 in its planning and oversight; and

25 WHEREAS, he has been honored as an Outstanding Educator by the Georgia Association  
26 of Educational Leaders and is a member of the prestigious Century Club 100, which fosters  
27 educational leadership through a nationwide idea exchange of two active superintendents  
28 from each state; and

29 WHEREAS, in recognition of his contributions to the students in this state, it is abundantly  
30 fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary commitment and accomplishments  
31 of this outstanding individual.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
33 heartily and gratefully commend Dr. Samuel T. King for his decades of sacrifice, foresight,  
34 accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of education in Georgia; recognize the positive  
35 influence he has had upon the lives and futures of countless young people in this state; and  
36 congratulate him upon being named Georgia's 2011 Superintendent of the Year.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
38 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Samuel T. King.