

## House Resolution 653

By: Representatives Neal of the 75<sup>th</sup>, Baker of the 78<sup>th</sup>, and Jordan of the 77<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Global Teachers Research and Resources, Inc., on the  
2 occasion of its tenth anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the economic future of the United States and Georgia is largely dependent on  
4 having quality teachers to educate and prepare students to live productive lives so as to  
5 become contributing members of our society; and

6 WHEREAS, for more than ten years, there has been a shortage of teachers in critical subjects  
7 including mathematics, science, special education, and foreign languages; and

8 WHEREAS, over the next decade, American schools will need 200,000 or more new  
9 teachers in just the subjects of science and mathematics; and

10 WHEREAS, having international teachers educating American students has a positive impact  
11 by exposing students to other countries, cultures, and languages and prepares them for  
12 success in our diverse society; and

13 WHEREAS, established in 2001, the mission of Global Teachers Research and Resources  
14 (GTRR) is to provide world-class educators who are highly qualified, well-trained,  
15 supported, and effective in educating students in the United States; and

16 WHEREAS, GTRR has been providing quality international teachers in the critical areas of  
17 science, technology, engineering, and mathematics to expand learning opportunities for our  
18 students; and

19 WHEREAS, teachers who participate in GTRR are recruited from around the world,  
20 including Canada, South Africa, Australia, India, Colombia, and Dubai; and

21 WHEREAS, the first Atlanta-area placements of professional and highly-trained educators  
22 by GTRR was in Fulton County schools in 2003; and

23 WHEREAS, over the years GTRR has expanded its placements in Georgia to include the  
24 school systems of Clayton County, DeKalb County, Henry County, Walton County, Newton  
25 County, Fayette County, Atlanta Public Schools, and several smaller systems throughout this  
26 state; and

27 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding work of this fine  
28 organization and its numerous contributions to the citizens of this state be appropriately  
29 recognized.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
31 the members of this body commend Global Teachers Research and Resources, Inc., for its  
32 dedication to improving education for all Americans and congratulate the organization on the  
33 occasion of its tenth anniversary.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
35 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Global Teachers Research  
36 and Resources, Inc.