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Senate Resolution 481

By: Senators Harbison of the 15th and McKoon of the 29th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Candace Burkhalter, nominee for 2013 Muscogee County
- 2 School District Teacher of the Year; 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 Muscogee Education Excellence Foundation (MEEF) is a nonprofit
- 6 organization dedicated to fostering educational excellence by focusing on individual teachers
- 7 who are innovative and exceptionally effective in their profession; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the foundation has awarded more than \$1.5 million to teachers through financial
- 9 incentives in the Teacher of the Year program, the MEEF Grant program, and the MEEF
- 10 Endowment Fund; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Janet Davis is chairwoman of the selection committee, which also includes
- 12 Debbie Caballero, Colby Cardin, Travis Chambers, Debra Everett, Tom Hackett, Paul
- 13 Hampton, Christine Powell, and Tom Titus; and
- 14 WHEREAS, nominees are determined by each of the district's schools and will be honored
- 15 throughout the year, including breakfast with the National Teacher of the Year in March and
- 16 culminating with the MCSD Teacher of the Year gala on May 2, 2013; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Candace Burkhalter is a teacher at Midland Academy and a nominee for 2013
- 18 Muscogee County School District Teacher of the Year; and
- 19 WHEREAS, the devotion to providing the students of Georgia with a quality education
- 20 demonstrated by Candace Burkhalter is worthy of recognition.

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21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body

- 22 commend heartily Candace Burkhalter as a nominee for 2013 Muscogee County School
- 23 District Teacher of the Year and express to her their most sincere best wishes for continued
- success in the future.
- 25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 26 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Candace Burkhalter.