

House Resolution 699

By: Representative Shaw of the 176<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mrs. Tara Terrell on her outstanding accomplishments; and  
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Tara Terrell, a Parent Involvement Coordinator (PIC) in the Lanier County  
4 school system, has made significant contributions to the educational experiences of Georgia's  
5 youth by developing innovative workshops that have led to increased student success; and

6 WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Education's Parent Engagement Program featured  
7 her in its *PIC Spotlight* bulletin for February, 2013; and

8 WHEREAS, at the beginning of the school year, she opened a Parent Resource Center at  
9 Lanier County's Board of Education in order to provide parents, grandparents, and children  
10 with a variety of instructional materials to use at home; and

11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Terrell has also been innovative through the creation of parent and student  
12 workshops that have deeply impacted the families of Lanier County and created a segue to  
13 bridge the gap between school and home; and

14 WHEREAS, the workshops included "Books and Pajamas," an event that had over 130  
15 parents and children reading books and enjoying cookies and hot chocolate on warm,  
16 comfortable blankets during the winter, and "Homework 911," a program that provided  
17 parents with emergency homework strategies and activities; "Homework 911" was such a  
18 success that Mrs. Terrell was asked to also present the workshop at the Moody Air Force  
19 Base; and

20 WHEREAS, Mrs. Tara Terrell is a shining example of the Lanier County school system's  
21 dedication to the education of children in the community, and it is abundantly fitting and  
22 proper that she be appropriately recognized.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
24 the members of this body recognize and commend Mrs. Tara Terrell on her unselfish,  
25 dedicated, and effective contributions to the educational experiences of Georgia's youth.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
27 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Tara Terrell.