

House Resolution 258

By: Representative Ralston of the 7th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Gini Bramlett upon being named Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Gini Bramlett earned both her bachelor's degree in early childhood education
3 and her master's degree in special education at the University of Georgia before she began
4 teaching special education classes; and

5 WHEREAS, she worked on a research team while earning her master's degree and was
6 included as an author in two published studies from that work, she was published in the
7 journal *Education and Training in Autism and Developmental Disabilities*, and she was a
8 volunteer presenter at the IDEAS 14 conference; and

9 WHEREAS, she transformed the adaptive special education program at Blue Ridge
10 Elementary to embrace both academic and adaptive growth for her students in all
11 environments; and

12 WHEREAS, she is an advocate for students who are unable to advocate for themselves and
13 has gone above and beyond what is required of her in order to help her students, and she says
14 her proudest accomplishment is seeing general education students and special education
15 students become friends through her efforts to promote a culture of inclusivity; and

16 WHEREAS, she assisted a student in securing a proper fitting wheelchair, rode a city bus
17 with a student to take him to an eye exam, and helped a class gain access to
18 community-based instruction; and

19 WHEREAS, she is involved with the Fannin County Special Olympics and organized a silent
20 auction that raised over \$4,000.00, which enabled Fannin County to host a regional Special
21 Olympics event for the first time ever, and she is now raising funds to build an adapted
22 playground for students with disabilities; and

23 WHEREAS, Gini Bramlett works hard to instill a passion for learning in each of her students
24 and fiercely holds the belief that all students can learn and become productive, contributing
25 members of society; and

26 WHEREAS, she is sincere, hard working, and committed to the education of all children, and
27 she has been instrumental in effecting change in her classroom, school, and community,
28 making it fitting and proper for her to be honored with the Teacher of the Year Award.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body commend Gini Bramlett for her service to her students, school, and
31 community and congratulate her upon being named Teacher of the Year.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Gini
34 Bramlett.