

House Resolution 1791

By: Representatives Jasperse of the 11th, Meadows of the 5th, and England of the 116th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Sara Clark; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Sara Clark is an educator whose impact has reached far beyond the classroom
3 and into the community and lives of countless students; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Ms. Clark obtained her associate's degree from Abraham Baldwin Agricultural
5 College, then went on to earn a Doctor of Philosophy degree at Auburn University; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she taught at Calhoun High School for three years before moving to Gordon
7 Central where she taught for four years, and then to Dalton State, Southeast Whitfield, and
8 Sonoraville High School since 2008; and
- 9 WHEREAS, during her time in Gordon County and Whitfield County, Ms. Clark has
10 established one of the most prolific agricultural education programs in this state, with
11 numerous career development winners, proficiency winners, and degree recipients; and
- 12 WHEREAS, her Future Farmers of America (FFA) teams have won 23 state Career
13 Development Events (CDEs) and five national competitions; and
- 14 WHEREAS, more than 100 students from her chapter have received their Georgia FFA
15 degrees, and approximately 15 have gone on to earn the American FFA degree; and
- 16 WHEREAS, the chapter has produced ten state proficiency winners under Ms. Clark's
17 leadership, with two of these proficiency finalists continuing on to become national finalists
18 and one winning in their respective areas; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Ms. Clark has been the recipient of numerous awards and accolades over the
20 course of her career, including being named Teacher of the Year for Sonoraville High School
21 and Gordon Central High School, Agricultural Education Teacher of the Year for Georgia,

22 a top four finalist for Agriscience Teacher of the Year for the Nation, and Christopher
23 Columbus Agriscience Teacher of the Year for the Nation; and

24 WHEREAS, Ms. Clark is an active member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church where she serves
25 as a Sunday school teacher; and

26 WHEREAS, her career as an agriculture educator serves as a model for other teachers, as
27 well as a positive example of someone who has been both a friend and mentor to her students
28 and an invaluable resource to her community.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body recognize and commend Sara Clark for her countless
31 accomplishments as an educator in the State of Georgia and express to her their most sincere
32 best wishes for continued success and happiness.

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