

House Resolution 852

By: Representatives Scott of the 76th, Stephenson of the 90th, Holly of the 111th, and Douglas of the 78th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Donna McBride for receiving the Excellence in Education
2 Award for 2019, as submitted by Phenomenal Women "Soaring Beyond" of Henry County,
3 Georgia; for being recognized as a Community Pillar through ensuring equal access to
4 quality education in support of community unity, growth, and development; and for other
5 purposes.

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Donna McBride has been recognized for her many accomplishments in the
7 community and for her achievements in the field of education; and

8 WHEREAS, Dr. McBride earned a bachelor's degree in special education and language arts
9 from Tuskegee Institute, a master's degree in education leadership from Nova Southeastern
10 University, and a doctoral degree in higher education leadership from the University of
11 Sarasota; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. McBride has worked for 29 years as a teacher and administrator and has
13 taught nationally and internationally at the elementary, middle, and high school levels,
14 serving students within a wide range of academic areas, including behavioral and language
15 studies; and

16 WHEREAS, her teaching experience includes public and private school teaching and serving
17 as a building and central office administrator and college professor; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. McBride's commitment to the betterment of children is exemplified by her
19 work as former member of the Henry County Board of Education and by her current service
20 as a member of the Henry County Board of Elections and Registration and as vice-president
21 of The Stewart Foundation, a nonprofit organization that teaches leadership skills to youth
22 between the ages of 8 and 18; and

23 WHEREAS, Dr. McBride's service to the community includes working with residents at the
24 A.G. Rhodes Health and Rehabilitation Center, Feeding the Homeless at Antioch Baptist
25 Church, helping victims of substance and physical abuse get a new start in life at Gilgal,
26 honoring survivors of domestic violence and breast cancer, helping build homes for Habitat
27 for Humanity, and teaching students the importance of physical activity; and

28 WHEREAS, Dr. McBride is one of the first African American women to serve on the Henry
29 County Board of Education and is one of the most inspirational individuals of our time; and

30 WHEREAS, noted as a highly respected educator and humanitarian, she is a person of
31 magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness,
32 and kindness; and

33 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
34 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
36 the members of this body recognize and commend Dr. Donna McBride for receiving the
37 Excellence in Education Award and extend their most sincere best wishes for continued
38 health and happiness.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
40 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Dr.
41 Donna McBride.