

House Resolution 1659

By: Representative Nimmer of the 178<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Dara Bennett, the Georgia Association of Secondary School Principals' 2019  
2 Principal of the Year; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, nothing is more vital to the future of our state than the education of our young  
4 people, and Dara Bennett exemplifies the selfless dedication that is characteristic of our  
5 finest academic leaders; and

6 WHEREAS, Dara is a highly praised principal, tirelessly directing an extraordinary amount  
7 of time and talent toward guiding students to a brighter future; and

8 WHEREAS, she models values, beliefs, and attitudes which encourage others to achieve  
9 higher levels of performance; involves teachers, staff members, parents, students, and the  
10 community in creating and fostering a shared vision for the school; and leads collaborative  
11 efforts in order to promote ownership among staff, students, parents, and members of the  
12 community for school efforts and outcomes; and

13 WHEREAS, Dara demonstrates knowledge of learning, teaching, assessment practices,  
14 research, and programs that maximize student performance, and ensures that each student has  
15 the best possible opportunity of realizing success; and

16 WHEREAS, she establishes and maintains a school environment that reflects high  
17 expectations from students and staff; creates a school climate that is warm, inviting, safe, and  
18 secure; and creates structures that promote positive relationships between adults and students  
19 by ensuring that each student is well-known by at least one staff member; and

20 WHEREAS, Dara has earned distinction for excellence as a result of her 16 year  
21 commitment to education and to her occupation, and has been honored as the Georgia  
22 Association of Secondary School Principals' 2019 Principal of the Year; and

23 WHEREAS, in recognition of such remarkable contributions to the education and welfare  
24 of Georgia's students, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to honor the  
25 extraordinary accomplishments and academic achievements of this outstanding educator.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
27 the members of this body commend Dara Bennett, the Georgia Association of Secondary  
28 School Principals' 2019 Principal of the Year, and express their most sincere best wishes for  
29 continued success.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Dara  
32 Bennett.