

## House Resolution 793

By: Representatives Scott of the 76<sup>th</sup>, Burnough of the 77<sup>th</sup>, Bazemore of the 63<sup>rd</sup>, Stovall of the 74<sup>th</sup>, and Douglas of the 78<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Dr. Vaneisa Benjamin, principal of Fairview Elementary School in Henry  
2 County, Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Vaneisa Benjamin is the current principal of Fairview Elementary School  
4 in Henry County, Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, she joined Henry County Schools in 1993 and served as a fifth grade teacher  
6 and an assistant principal before being named principal; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Benjamin grew up in Savannah, Georgia, and followed in the footsteps of  
8 a family of educators, receiving an undergraduate degree from Spelman College in Computer  
9 Science, a master's degree in Computer Science from Atlanta University, a master's degree  
10 in Educational Leadership from Troy State University, and a Doctor of Educational  
11 Leadership and Supervision from Clark Atlanta University; and

12 WHEREAS, over the course of her career, she has received the following honors and awards:  
13 Teacher of the Year, Leadership Henry Graduate, Black Women Who Rock Award  
14 Recipient, CDC Award Sponsored by Blacks in Government, Service Award, Alpha Kappa  
15 Alpha Sorority, Psi Alpha Omega Chapter, and the Future Leaders American Government  
16 (FLAG) Award for support of youth from Blacks in Government members from the CDC  
17 Mentorship Program of Atlanta Area Youth; and

18 WHEREAS, currently, Dr. Benjamin is a member of the District Level Interview Committee  
19 and District Computerized Registration Advisory Committee; and

20 WHEREAS, she led the county in the implementation of gender classrooms and also a  
21 Positive Behavior Intervention School; and

22 WHEREAS, in her community, she volunteers at her church by preparing food for the  
23 homeless and volunteers for Community in Schools, Hands on Henry, and Sacred Journey  
24 Hospice and is a member of the Georgia Association of Elementary School Principals and  
25 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; and

26 WHEREAS, Dr. Benjamin believes that a collaborative school environment is the key to  
27 success and she excels in creating partnerships with stakeholders that are essential to  
28 enriching the experience at Fairview Elementary; and

29 WHEREAS, she leads the faculty and staff in the strong belief that every child, every  
30 teacher, and the Fairview community deserve excellence; and

31 WHEREAS, during her free time, she enjoys traveling, Broadway plays, history, the beach  
32 and learning new things; and

33 WHEREAS, she is the proud mother of two sons in college, one is currently a senior at  
34 Kennesaw State University and the other is a sophomore at Clafin University.

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
36 the members of this body commend Dr. Vaneisa Benjamin for her outstanding contributions  
37 to the State of Georgia.

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