

House Resolution 933

By: Representative Gasaway of the 28<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Big A Elementary School; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Big A Elementary School, located in Stephens County, has a long history of  
3 excellence in Northeast Georgia; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the mission of Big A Elementary School, in cooperation with parents and  
5 community, is to nurture successful individuals by providing challenging experiences in a  
6 positive learning environment; and
- 7 WHEREAS, under the astute leadership of Principal Sherrie McAllister and Assistant  
8 Principal Chris Colwell, the school recently achieved national recognition; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the school is one of just eight public schools in all of Georgia to receive the  
10 National Blue Ribbon designation from the U.S. Department of Education, and this distinct  
11 honor is only awarded to schools who have shown superior academic achievement; and
- 12 WHEREAS, it was honored at an annual awards ceremony in Washington, D.C., where the  
13 school received a plaque and a flag in honor of the community's accomplishment; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Education calls on the administrators and teachers of  
15 this exemplary school to give presentations at state, regional, and national levels about the  
16 practices that has led them to success; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the school attempts to uplift each family through family nights, festivals, parent  
18 conferences, and many other opportunities to actively participate as an integral part of the  
19 school; and

20 WHEREAS, Big A Elementary, home of the Eagles, believes every student can succeed, and  
21 the school's strength lies in its efforts to establish teamwork between faculty, students, and  
22 parents.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
24 the members of this body recognize Big A Elementary School as a National Blue Ribbon  
25 School and commend their dedication and commitment to education in Georgia.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
27 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Big  
28 A Elementary School.