

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 34

BY REPRESENTATIVES BERTHELOT, BACALA, PRICE, AND SCHEXNAYDER
AND SENATOR LAMBERT

COMMENDATIONS: Commends G.W. Carver Primary School in Ascension Parish upon receipt of the 2017 TAP Founder's Award from the National Institute for Excellence in Teaching

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend G.W. Carver Primary School in Ascension Parish upon receipt of the 2017
3 TAP Founder's Award from the National Institute for Excellence in Teaching.

4 WHEREAS, the TAP System for Teacher Advancement is an educator effectiveness
5 model that aligns teacher leadership, daily job-embedded professional development,
6 educator evaluation and support, and opportunities for performance-based compensation;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, introduced in 1999, the TAP System supports schools, districts,
9 universities, and states in advancing educator effectiveness and student learning; and

10 WHEREAS, through the TAP System, G.W. Carver Primary School in Ascension
11 Parish has been able to attract and retain effective teachers who in turn are energizing
12 students; and

13 WHEREAS, as a result of the TAP System, G.W. Carver Primary School has raised
14 its English Language Arts Academic Index, improved its accountability system letter grade,
15 and exceeded student growth targets; and

16 WHEREAS, the highest honor of the National Institute for Excellence in Teaching
17 is the TAP Founder's Award, which is presented annually to one school in the nation for
18 exceptional efforts to implement and represent the principles of the TAP System, resulting
19 in improvements in student achievement, among other goals; and

20 WHEREAS, the TAP Founder's Award comes with a \$50,000 cash prize; and

1 WHEREAS, Lowell Milken, chairman of the institute and founder of the TAP
2 System, recently announced that G.W. Carver Primary School in Ascension Parish,
3 Louisiana, is the 2017 recipient of the TAP Founder's Award; and

4 WHEREAS, at the National TAP Conference, the principal of G.W. Carver, Latatia
5 Johnson, accepted the award on the school's behalf; Principal Johnson has commented that
6 "TAP is a driving force behind our continued mission ... Our teachers are empowered; our
7 students are empowered; we are changing lives"; and

8 WHEREAS, G.W. Carver Primary School is one of the bright lights in the Louisiana
9 public school system, and the state takes note of its success and recognition.

10 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
11 commend G.W. Carver Primary School on receipt of the 2017 TAP Founder's Award from
12 the National Institute for Excellence in Teaching; does hereby congratulate Principal Latatia
13 Johnson and the entire faculty of the school upon receiving this glorious honor; and does
14 hereby record the school's tremendous progress in teaching and in student achievement.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented
16 the principal of G.W. Carver Primary School, Latatia Johnson.

DIGEST

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