

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 222

BY REPRESENTATIVE FOIL

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Robert W. "Bobby" Welch upon his retirement as president of The Dunham School in Baton Rouge and for more than 40 years of service in the field of education

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Robert W. "Bobby" Welch upon his retirement as president of The Dunham
3 School in Baton Rouge and for more than forty years of service in the field of
4 education.

5 WHEREAS, born on July 23, 1945, in Vaiden, Mississippi, Mr. Welch graduated
6 from Forest Hill High School in Jackson, Mississippi; and

7 WHEREAS, he received a degree in business administration from William Carey
8 University and a master of arts degree in education administration from the University of
9 Louisiana at Monroe and performed his postgraduate studies at Harvard University, the
10 University of West Florida, and Georgia Southern University; and

11 WHEREAS, he is a veteran of more than forty years in education, with thirty years
12 of his experience in independent private schools in the southeastern United States; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Welch is active in the National Association of Independent Schools,
14 the Southern Association of Independent Schools, and several other regional organizations;
15 he has served as regional director, officer, and as a board member for many of these
16 organizations; and

17 WHEREAS, he has also been a ten-year member of the Southern Association of
18 Colleges and Schools; and

19 WHEREAS, he is the founder of the Louisiana Association of Independent Schools
20 and currently serves as its executive director; and

1 WHEREAS, for the past ten years, Mr. Welch has served as headmaster and later as
2 the president of The Dunham School in Baton Rouge; and

3 WHEREAS, under his exceptional leadership, The Dunham School has reached new
4 heights in education and has won national acclaim as a Blue Ribbon School and as an Apple
5 Distinguished School while continuing to maintain its academic philosophy of providing a
6 Christian education that emphasizes not simply acquiring knowledge but attaining wisdom;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, he has been married to the former Pamela Culler of High Point, North
9 Carolina, for thirty-five years; and

10 WHEREAS, the couple has five children, Angela, Jeff, Amy, Kip, and Charles, and
11 fifteen grandchildren, Millie, Annie, Ellie, Jack, Wils, Sam, Jena Kate, Charlotte, Cade,
12 Olivia, Josh, Andrew, Molly, Charlie, and Hudson; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Welch is retiring from his position as president of The Dunham
14 School on June 30, 2015, and he plans to continue building an education consulting company
15 after his retirement.

16 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
17 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Robert W. "Bobby" Welch upon his
18 retirement as president of The Dunham School and does hereby commend him for over forty
19 years of service in the field of education.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
21 to Robert W. "Bobby" Welch.

DIGEST

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