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H.R. No. 1612

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, On July 12, 2003, the Booker T. Washington Alumni
2 Association is holding a banquet to honor the late Gwendolyn
3 Jackson, who passed away on January 5, 2003, for her years of
4 service in the field of education; and

5 WHEREAS, After attending the University of North Texas and
6 Prairie View A&M University, from which she attained her master's
7 degree, Ms. Jackson embarked on a career as an educator that spanned
8 41 years, during which time she was a teacher and band director in
9 Gladewater, a choir and band director in Wichita Falls, and an
10 elementary workshop teacher in Sierra Leone, Africa; and

11 WHEREAS, Ms. Jackson maintained affiliations with many
12 professional organizations, including the Texas State Teachers
13 Association, Retired Teachers Association, Association of Music
14 Teachers, Partners in Education, and the Booker T. Washington
15 Alumni Association; in addition, she also participated in a variety
16 of worthy community organizations and was a member of Antioch
17 Baptist Church, where she served the congregation as deaconess,
18 musician, publicity chairperson, and as a member of WMU; and

19 WHEREAS, A person whose life is a continuing inspiration to
20 her family and friends, as well as her former coworkers and
21 students, Ms. Jackson is a shining example of the ability of one
22 person to make a difference in the lives of many, and her work
23 during her time on this earth will continue to enrich all those who
24 were fortunate enough to know her; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
2 Legislature hereby join with the Booker T. Washington Alumni
3 Association in honoring the contributions of the late Gwendolyn
4 Jackson to the cause of education and extend sincere sympathy to her
5 family: to her brother and sister-in-law, Lloyd and Lillian
6 McDonald; to her niece, Kim McDonald Patterson; to her foster
7 children, Rubye and Roy F. Lindsay; to her cousin, Ethel White; to
8 her special friends, Valeria and William Phillips; and to the other
9 relatives and many friends of this esteemed woman; and, be it
10 further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
13 Representatives adjourns this day it do so in honor of Gwendolyn
14 Jackson.