

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 11

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Bessie Slider Moody on the occasion of her retirement after 40 years of dedicated service to the Dallas Independent School District; and

WHEREAS, For her many contributions to the educational system of our state, the family, friends, and colleagues of Bessie Moody will honor her at a retirement dinner on January 25, 2003, at the Renaissance Dallas Hotel; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Moody earned a bachelor's degree from Texas Southern University in 1962 and received her elementary teacher certification from Bishop College in 1969; she earned a master's degree from Prairie View A&M University in 1974 and a certificate in middle management from East Texas State University in 1985; and

WHEREAS, After serving as a substitute teacher in the Dallas Independent School District from 1962 to 1967, Bessie Moody held a position as an elementary school teacher from 1967 to 1986; she also served as an elementary school counselor from 1986 to 1989; she has been a Title I administrative specialist since 1989, the position from which she is retiring; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Moody has contributed to her profession and her community through her participation in numerous organizations; she has been a member of the National Education Association, the National Association of Black School Educators, and The Museum of African American Life and Culture; she has also served as a member of the board and as president of Black Dallas Remembered, Incorporated; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, Bessie has earned a number of honors as a tribute to her excellent work in the field of education; she received the 1997 State Leadership Award from the National Association of Federal Education Program Administrators, and she was elected Region X director for the Association of Compensatory Educators of Texas; and

WHEREAS, An educator who has been an inspiration to her colleagues during her 40-year career, Bessie Moody deserves recognition for her hard work and her many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend Bessie Slider Moody for her excellent service as a teacher, counselor, and educational administrator and extend best wishes to her for the retirement years ahead; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 14, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate