

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 77

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize George J. Mundine for his lifetime of outstanding service with the Houston Independent School District; and

WHEREAS, George Mundine earned a bachelor's degree from Prairie View A&M University in 1950 and a master's degree from Texas Southern University in 1951; and

WHEREAS, In 1954, George began his career with the Houston Independent School District by serving as a teacher at Dunbar Elementary School; he became a public school administrator in 1960, when he was named principal of the Doris Miller Elementary School; he later served as principal of Langston Elementary School, and in 1972, he was appointed principal of Blackshear Elementary School, where he served until his retirement in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mundine was a highly respected administrator who promoted community involvement in the field of education; he developed partnerships with such businesses as the Wells Fargo Bank, the United States Post Office, and the H-E-B Pantry Food Store; he also invited notable individuals to share their experiences with public school students, including the honorable Al Gore, Vice President of the United States, Spike Lee, the renowned film director, and H. E. Rosine Soglo, the First Lady of Benin; and

WHEREAS, Under Mr. Mundine's leadership, Blackshear Elementary School achieved national acclaim--in April of 1995, *Redbook* magazine rated it as "One of America's Best Schools"; and

WHEREAS, In celebration of George Mundine's many accomplishments and his contributions to the Houston Independent School District, colleagues and friends will honor him at a special retirement luncheon on February 16, 2003; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend George J. Mundine for the exemplary manner in which he served the educational needs of countless schoolchildren for 48 years; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him 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 29, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate