

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 106**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Mary Rebekah Krsnak for earning a Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award; and

**WHEREAS**, Mary Krsnak, a teacher at Versia Williams Elementary School in Fort Worth, is one of 100 exceptional educators in 46 states and one of two in Texas to be selected in 2002 to receive this prestigious honor, which includes an unrestricted financial award of \$25,000; and

**WHEREAS**, The criteria for selection are exceptional educational talent evidenced by outstanding instructional practices and accomplishments in the classroom, strong long-range potential for professional and policy leadership, and an inspiring presence that motivates and impacts students, colleagues, and the community; and

**WHEREAS**, The Milken Educator Awards Program has presented over \$46 million in awards to nearly 2,000 recipients since its inception in 1985; a total of 16 educators from Texas have received the award since the state joined the program in 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, The 2002 recipients and their spouses will be flown to Los Angeles for the annual Milken Family Foundation National Education Conference in April of 2003; for three days they will have an opportunity to share ideas and concerns regarding education with other distinguished educators and business and governmental leaders; and

**WHEREAS**, As a teacher, Mary Krsnak sets high standards for her students and provides an environment conducive to learning; she is well known for her dependability, her professionalism, and the positive influence she has on the lives of her students and colleagues; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend Mary Rebekah Krsnak for her outstanding achievements as an educator and extend congratulations to her for her selection as a recipient of a Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of high regard 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 February 10, 2003.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate