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H.R. No. 427

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Barbara B. Yarbrough of Midland has earned the 2006
2 Jefferson Award for Public Service in recognition of her history of
3 outstanding work within the community; and

4 WHEREAS, An educator for more than four decades, Ms.
5 Yarbrough graduated from Texas Southern University and soon began
6 her teaching career at Carver Junior-Senior High School in Midland;
7 she taught a number of grade levels before discovering that her
8 passion lay in working with sixth-graders; and

9 WHEREAS, Ms. Yarbrough retired from her position at South
10 Elementary in 1996; she later returned to the school to serve as
11 parent liaison and her efforts led to the establishment of the
12 Barbara B. Yarbrough Parent Center; and

13 WHEREAS, This notable facility has offered parenting classes
14 and information regarding shaken baby syndrome, sudden infant death
15 syndrome, child development, and child abuse prevention to more
16 than 5,000 area residents; Ms. Yarbrough devotes much of her time to
17 writing curriculum, teaching life-skills classes, and raising
18 funds for the center, and her efforts have benefited the lives of
19 countless individuals; and

20 WHEREAS, She has also generously given of her talents to a
21 host of organizations, including Camp Fire, Midland YMCA, the
22 Midland County Child Welfare Board, Junior Achievement, Alpha Kappa
23 Alpha sorority, Artwalk of Midland, and United Way of Midland; and

24 WHEREAS, Through the years, Ms. Yarbrough has exemplified

1 leadership infused with compassion, generosity, and resolve, and
2 she has truly earned the lasting affection of her students and
3 esteem of her fellow citizens; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
5 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Barbara B.
6 Yarbrough on earning the 2006 Jefferson Award for Public Service
7 and commend her for her many contributions in behalf of the citizens
8 of Midland; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for Ms. Yarbrough as an expression of high regard by the
11 Texas House of Representatives.