

By: Davis of Dallas

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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Denise D. Harris has deservedly been named the 2004  
2 W. H. Atwell Fundamental Academy Teacher of the Year, and the  
3 presentation of this award provides a fitting opportunity to  
4 recognize this accomplished Dallas educator; and

5           WHEREAS, This prestigious accolade honors innovative  
6 teachers who demonstrate a genuine concern for their students,  
7 promote a positive and inspiring learning environment, and work  
8 well with colleagues, parents, and the community; and

9           WHEREAS, A truly deserving recipient, Ms. Harris has helped  
10 her reading students at W. H. Atwell to excel and has put them on the  
11 path to a bright and rewarding future; and

12           WHEREAS, Ms. Harris is a graduate of Clarksdale High School,  
13 where she served as vice president of the National Honor Society and  
14 student council representative; she attended Coahoma Junior  
15 College, lending her time and talents as secretary of Phi Beta  
16 Lambda, vice president of the Student Government Association,  
17 editor-in-chief of the school's yearbook and newspaper, and Union  
18 Advisory Board member, and she went on to graduate with honors from  
19 Mississippi Valley State University; moreover, Ms. Harris is a  
20 multiple-year honoree of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*; and

21           WHEREAS, This exemplary educator has set professional  
22 standards to which all in her field can aspire, and her love of  
23 teaching has opened up countless young minds to the joys of  
24 learning; now, therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
2   Legislature hereby congratulate Denise D. Harris on her selection  
3   as the 2004 W. H. Atwell Fundamental Academy Teacher of the Year and  
4   extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it  
5   further

6           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
7   prepared for Ms. Harris as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
8   House of Representatives.