

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Mary Alice Sims of Lamesa is retiring in May 2005
2 after 38 years as an educator, and this occasion offers a fitting
3 opportunity to reflect on her outstanding career; and

4 WHEREAS, For the past 25 years, Ms. Sims has been affiliated
5 with the Lamesa Independent School District, having taught at the
6 former V. Z. Rogers Elementary--now the campus for Lamesa Head
7 Start--and North Elementary School; before returning to Texas to
8 care for her parents, she was employed as an eighth-grade teacher in
9 Missouri for 13 years; and

10 WHEREAS, She is an active member of the Delta Kappa Gamma
11 teachers group and plans to join the Dawson County Retired Teachers
12 Association; she will also continue her long affiliation with St.
13 John's Baptist Church and maintain her involvement with the
14 Blackshear reunion; and

15 WHEREAS, In her retirement, Ms. Sims looks forward to
16 pursuing her favorite hobbies, including antiquing, and is
17 considering the possibility of traveling to some of the places that
18 she has discussed in class but never visited; she also plans to
19 maintain her relationships with her students and fellow teachers by
20 serving as a substitute teacher; and

21 WHEREAS, Devoting one's life to educating America's young
22 people is a noble and worthy pursuit, and Mary Alice Sims has had a
23 positive impact on the lives of countless children and their
24 families during her lengthy and exceptional career as an educator;

1 now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
3 Legislature hereby congratulate Mary Alice Sims on the occasion of
4 her retirement from teaching and commend her for her exemplary
5 tenure with the Lamesa Independent School District; and, be it
6 further

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

Craddick

H.R. No. 2183

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2183 was adopted by the House on May 29, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House