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H.R. No. 2183

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.