

By: Dutton

H.C.R. No. 101

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, Deetrice Wallace, an educator in the Houston  
2 Independent School District, has been named the 2007 Harris County  
3 Teacher of the Year; and

4           WHEREAS, Sponsored by the Education Foundation of Harris  
5 County, which supports programs in all 26 independent school  
6 districts within Harris County, the Teacher of the Year award is  
7 part of the foundation's mission to create extraordinary  
8 opportunities for all children by promoting excellence and fresh  
9 thinking in public education; it chose Dee Wallace as the recipient  
10 of its highest annual honor because of her innovation in the  
11 classroom and her dedication to her students and her colleagues;  
12 and

13           WHEREAS, An instructor for 11 years, nine of which have been  
14 spent in the Houston ISD, Ms. Wallace teaches science and robotics  
15 to eighth graders at Sharpstown Middle School and also works at  
16 Sharpstown High School; she is known for going above and beyond the  
17 call of duty to ensure that her students learn and succeed; regarded  
18 by her peers as a high-energy educator she constantly finds new ways  
19 to make lessons relevant to the experiences of her students; and

20           WHEREAS, This dedicated educator also takes part in a variety  
21 of additional initiatives to enhance learning; she mentors other  
22 teachers and often takes her students on weekend field trips;  
23 moreover, she serves as coach of the Sharpstown robotics team, and  
24 in 2006, she helped the team win first place in bracket competition

1 and to finish 10th among all the teams in the state; and

2 WHEREAS, Dee Wallace's skill and effectiveness as a teacher  
3 have previously been recognized with several awards; she was named  
4 the 2005-2006 Sharpstown Middle School Teacher of the Year, and the  
5 Education Foundation of Harris County selected her as Teacher of  
6 the Month in April 2006; and

7 WHEREAS, With her unrelenting efforts to inspire and educate,  
8 Dee Wallace has had an enduring and positive influence on her  
9 students, and her exemplary success as an educator is worthy of the  
10 highest acclaim; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas  
12 hereby honor Deetrice Wallace for being named the 2007 Harris  
13 County Teacher of the Year and extend to her best wishes for  
14 continued success in educating the young people of Houston; and, be  
15 it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
17 prepared for Ms. Wallace as an expression of high regard by the  
18 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.