

By: King of Parker

H.R. No. 2821

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Judy A. Hill of Aledo High School is the recipient of
2 the 2009 Marva Collins Teaching Excellence Award presented by the
3 Reilly Family Foundation; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in a small town in West Texas in 1953, the
5 former Judy Ann Wilburn was an avid reader in her youth; she
6 graduated with honors from Abilene High School in 1971 and went on
7 to work for the U.S. Social Security Administration; after a decade
8 there, she realized that something was missing in her life, and she
9 decided to pursue her longtime dream of a career as a teacher; she
10 quit her job, returned to school, and in 1987 graduated from Texas
11 Christian University with a bachelor's degree summa cum laude in
12 education; she taught in the Azle and Birdville school districts,
13 and after earning her master's degree in English from the
14 University of North Texas in 1996, served as an academic
15 coordinator at a high school in Fort Worth and as an instructor at
16 Tarrant County College; and

17 WHEREAS, Since 2006, Ms. Hill has taught advanced placement
18 English at Aledo High School, and she is the chair of the English
19 department; in addition, she has instituted SAT and PSAT
20 preparatory courses and mentored new teachers at the school, and
21 she is planning to serve on the Aledo ISD Strategic Planning
22 Committee; Ms. Hill has further contributed to such organizations
23 as the United Educators Association of Texas and the National
24 Council of Teachers of English; and

1 WHEREAS, In all of her endeavors, she benefits from the love
2 and support of her husband, Jack Hill, and the couple take great
3 pride in their daughter, Christi Hill-Kothmann; Ms. Hill also
4 enjoys playing piano and writing, and she maintains her lifelong
5 enthusiasm for reading; and

6 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan has demonstrated the passion,
7 determination, and commitment that are the hallmarks of our best
8 teachers, and she is indeed an exemplary role model for her
9 colleagues and students alike; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
11 Legislature hereby congratulate Judy A. Hill on her receipt of the
12 2009 Marva Collins Teaching Excellence Award and extend to her
13 sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it
14 further

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