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H.R. No. 1636

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Mary Marlow Woodard, the director of library  
2 services for the Mesquite Independent School District, is being  
3 deservedly recognized with two prestigious statewide honors in  
4 2011; and

5           WHEREAS, On April 14, Ms. Woodard received the Distinguished  
6 Library Service Award for School Administrators from the Texas  
7 Association of School Librarians; in being selected for this  
8 notable accolade, she was judged on nine criteria that assessed her  
9 success in vital areas such as staffing, budgeting, integration of  
10 technology, and the creation of a culture that promotes learning;  
11 and

12           WHEREAS, Ms. Woodard has also been announced as the  
13 chair-elect of TASL and will begin her term as the organization's  
14 chief officer in April 2012; TASL is the largest division of the  
15 Texas Library Association and is dedicated to promoting library  
16 services and librarianship in Texas schools; and

17           WHEREAS, This knowledgeable professional began her career  
18 with Mesquite ISD in 1987; she worked as an elementary and middle  
19 school librarian for 11 years and draws on that valuable hands-on  
20 experience in her efforts to continue the district's tradition of  
21 providing quality educational resources to its students; and

22           WHEREAS, School libraries play an essential role in helping  
23 young people to prepare for the challenges and opportunities of the  
24 future, and the dedicated efforts of Mary Woodard provide an

1 outstanding example of the many positive achievements that can be  
2 realized through the work of skilled and committed library  
3 administrators; now, therefore, be it

4         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
5 Legislature hereby congratulate Mary Marlow Woodard on her receipt  
6 of the Distinguished Library Service Award for School  
7 Administrators from the Texas Association of School Librarians and  
8 extend to her sincere best wishes for a successful tenure as chair  
9 of the association; and, be it further

10         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
11 prepared for Ms. Woodard as an expression of high regard by the  
12 Texas House of Representatives.