

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1031

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Deborah K. Badrak, who is retiring after 29 years of exceptional service as an educator; and

WHEREAS, This gifted teacher began her career in education while still a student at John Jay High School in San Antonio, enrolling in a teacher training program and working with special-needs students; she went on to earn a degree in education from Southwest Texas State University in 1981 and soon afterward started as a teacher at F. C. Weinert Elementary School in Seguin; and

WHEREAS, She has for more than 20 years worked for the Schertz-Cibolo-Universal City Independent School District, where her duties have run the gamut from teaching children with multiple disabilities to serving as the coordinator for gifted and talented students; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Badrak is cofounder of the Flying Colors Achievement Center, a nonprofit organization providing assistance and mentorship to at-risk students, and she has won numerous awards, including Teacher of the Year at three separate schools; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Badrak's students have greatly benefited from her skillful teaching methods, her wise counsel and encouragement, and her sincere concern for each individual; she has often supplied clothing, food, and resources for students and families in need so that her students could achieve their full potential; and

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WHEREAS, Dedicated and imaginative, she has worked to instill in her students an appreciation for challenge and hard work and a lifelong love of learning; she is truly deserving of recognition for her commitment and for the positive influence she has had on her students; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend Deborah K. Badrak for her 29 years of dedication to excellence in education and extend to her best wishes for continued success in all her future endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Van de Putte, Zaffirini

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 17, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

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