SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 832

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dr. Joyce Willard Teal on the occasion of her 2015 induction into the African American Educators Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Teal is an award-winning educator, counselor, author, and motivational speaker who has taught middle school in Atlanta and Dallas; she began writing professionally in 1995 and has authored 16 books for adolescent and adult audiences; and

WHEREAS, She has a passion for helping children, and she has devoted much of her life to counseling young people; she hosts a weekly radio talk show, *The Teal Appeal*, on KEBN Internet Radio; and

WHEREAS, A distinguished leader in her field, Dr. Teal was named Who's Who Among American Teachers, and she is a recipient of the Dallas Independent School District's Principles of Public Service Award; she has guided countless children on their educational paths, and she is truly deserving of recognition for her accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby commend Dr. Joyce Willard Teal for her exceptional contributions to education in our state and extend congratulations to her on her 2015 induction into the African American Educators Hall of Fame; and, be it further

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

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 19, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate