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H.R. No. 202

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Geraldine Miller retired from the State Board of
2 Education in January 2019, concluding a distinguished tenure that
3 spanned more than three decades; and

4 WHEREAS, First appointed by Governor Mark White in 1984,
5 "Tincy" Miller went on to win election to the board seven times; she
6 served the board as chair and vice chair, and she also chaired the
7 Instruction Committee; a member of the Permanent School Fund
8 Subcommittee, she was a fierce protector of that fund, which her
9 prudent stewardship helped to grow from \$4.5 billion to \$34
10 billion; and

11 WHEREAS, Ms. Miller previously served as a reading
12 specialist at the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, and
13 she brought to the state education board a deep understanding of the
14 difficulties faced by children with dyslexia; she successfully
15 advocated for legislation to help these youngsters and championed
16 early assessment for children at risk of dyslexia and related
17 disorders; in addition, she facilitated the creation of the first
18 *Dyslexia Handbook* in 1988; and

19 WHEREAS, Ms. Miller was a driving force behind the
20 development of the state's first phonics-based reading curriculum
21 as well; moreover, she worked diligently to improve the textbook
22 review and adoption process by engaging teachers in the evaluation
23 of books in their subject specialty; and

24 WHEREAS, Through her vision, leadership, and unyielding

1 commitment to public education, Tincy Miller has made a meaningful
2 difference in the lives of generations of young Texans, and she has
3 earned the respect and appreciation of her fellow citizens across
4 the state; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
6 Legislature hereby honor Geraldine "Tincy" Miller for her
7 outstanding service on the State Board of Education and extend to
8 her sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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