

House Resolution 1651

By: Representatives Burnough of the 77th, Stovall of the 74th, Scott of the 76th, Douglas of the 78th, and Bazemore of the 63rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Ophelia Burroughs upon the grand occasion of her retirement;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Ophelia Burroughs has long been recognized for the vital role that she has
4 played as an educator and leader and for her sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of her
5 community and of this state; and

6 WHEREAS, as a military wife, Ophelia lived and worked in varied and interesting places
7 throughout the United States, including Dalzell, South Carolina, where she dedicated four
8 years as a French teacher at Ebenezer High School; Las Vegas, Nevada, where she taught
9 English at Jim Bridger Junior High School for four years; and Honolulu, Hawaii, where she
10 taught English another four years at Leilahua High School; and

11 WHEREAS, Ophelia concluded her successful career in the classroom with 23 years
12 dedicated to excellence as an English teacher at Jonesboro High School in Clayton County,
13 Georgia; and

14 WHEREAS, Ophelia has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her
15 time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state through her
16 committed service on the Clayton County Board of Education since 2008; and

17 WHEREAS, she distinguished herself by serving for two years as the vice chairperson of the
18 Clayton County Board of Education; and

19 WHEREAS, Ophelia, who attends the Christians for Change Baptist Church in Riverdale,
20 Georgia, has also been recognized for her civic activities as a member of the Order of The
21 Eastern Star, the Riverdale Kiwanis Club, and the VFW Auxiliary Post 3650; and

22 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentlewoman has served with honor on the Clayton County
23 School Board, and her vision and unyielding commitment will be sorely missed upon the
24 occasion of her retirement; and

25 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
26 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body recognize and commend Ophelia Burroughs for her efficient,
29 effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to her community; congratulate her upon
30 the grand occasion of her retirement; and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued
31 health and happiness.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
34 Ophelia Burroughs.