

Senate Resolution 507

By: Senators James of the 35th, Seay of the 34th, Merritt of the 9th, Rhett of the 33rd, Harrell of the 40th and others

ADOPTED SENATE

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Kerri Coleman-Benton, Curriculum Associates' 2022 National
- 2 Teacher of Year; and for other purposes.

- 3 WHEREAS, a proper quality education for the young people of this state is the single most
- 4 important objective of the General Assembly; and

- 5 WHEREAS, to be selected as Curriculum Associates' 2022 National Teacher of Year,
- 6 recipients are chosen from hundreds of nominations across 19 states; and

- 7 WHEREAS, this year's class of grades K-8 educators exhibit best-in-class use of i-Ready,
- 8 i-Ready Classroom Mathematics, and/or Ready; illustrate growth and achievement through
- 9 formal assessments; demonstrate innovation and engagement practices for students; are
- 10 evangelists for high standards and student achievement; and have been teaching for at least
- 11 two years; and

- 12 WHEREAS, for the last 18 years of her educational career, Kerri Coleman-Benton has held
- 13 several positions and taught in a variety of school districts across the Metro Atlanta area and
- 14 abroad; and

15 WHEREAS, she currently serves as a first grade teacher at Stonewall Tell Elementary
16 School, where she has further participated in the National Junior Beta Club, Safety Patrol,
17 and IB; and

18 WHEREAS, Kerri Coleman-Benton has earned distinction for teaching excellence and has
19 been honored as Curriculum Associates' 2022 National Teacher of the Year; and

20 WHEREAS, in recognition of her contributions to the education and welfare of young people
21 in this state, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary
22 accomplishments and academic achievements of this outstanding educator.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
24 commend Kerri Coleman-Benton, Curriculum Associates' 2022 National Teacher of Year,
25 and express their most sincere best wishes for continued success.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
27 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Kerri
28 Coleman-Benton.