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House Resolution 48

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Eric Crouch, recipient of the 2016 Milken Educator Award;
- 2 and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Eric Crouch is one of only 35 educators in the nation to receive the 2016
- 4 Milken Educator Award and is the first Georgian to win in four years; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Milken educators are selected for their exceptional educational talent as
- 6 evidenced by outstanding instructional practices in the classroom, school, and profession;
- 7 outstanding accomplishments and strong long-range potential for professional and policy
- 8 leadership; and an engaging and inspiring presence that motivates and impacts students,
- 9 colleagues, and the community; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he originally was a business major at Columbus State University, but after
- 11 feeling the call to teach, he switched to education; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the only male classroom teacher at Muskogee County Elementary School, Eric
- 13 is incredibly passionate about teaching children and believes that his career is a choice to
- 14 change lives, not to have status and financial stability; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he is a shining example of the impact that the efforts of individual classroom
- 16 teachers are making on the quality of education received by the children of this state, and it
- 17 is abundantly fitting and proper that his superlative accomplishments be recognized
- 18 appropriately.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 20 the members of this body recognize and commend Eric Crouch for his contributions on
- 21 behalf of education in Georgia and for being named a 2016 Milken Educator Award
- 22 recipient.

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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

24 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Eric

25 Crouch.