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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing John A. McKinney, Dade County educator.

WHEREAS, John A. McKinney was born in Miami and grew up in Overtown, and

WHEREAS, John A. McKinney graduated from Florida A&M University with a degree in history, and later earned a master's degree at Barry University and a doctorate in education from Nova University, and

WHEREAS, during military service John A. McKinney discovered his love for teaching, and upon completion of his military duty in 1961, he returned to Miami where he taught at Poinciana Park, Allapattah, and Kelsey Pharr elementary schools, and served as coordinator of social studies for Dade County public schools, and

WHEREAS, in 1972, John A. McKinney was named principal at Holmes Elementary School and served as principal there for five years before becoming principal of the Central High School Adult Education Center, and

WHEREAS, in 1992, John A. McKinney was named the first principal of the William H. Turner Technical Arts High School, serving there until 1996, and

WHEREAS, during his career, John A. McKinney received hundreds of civic and education awards, including recognition as one of the 500 Male Role Models of Excellence, and

WHEREAS, after retiring as principal of the William H. Turner Technical Arts High School, John A. McKinney continued teaching as an adjunct professor of education at Nova University, and

1           WHEREAS, John A. McKinney died on September 3, 1997,  
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3           WHEREAS, John A. McKinney will long be remembered by  
4 the many citizens of Dade County whose lives he touched, not  
5 only for his 35 years of educational and community work, but  
6 for his caring and compassionate attention to the needs of  
7 others, and

8           WHEREAS, it is fitting and appropriate that the House  
9 of Representatives of the State of Florida recognize John A.  
10 McKinney for his outstanding service as an educator, NOW,  
11 THEREFORE,

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13 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of  
14 Florida:

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16           That the House of Representatives of the State of  
17 Florida hereby recognizes John A. McKinney for 35 years of  
18 outstanding service as an educator in the State of Florida.

19           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution  
20 be presented to Rhonda McKinney, Mario McKinney, Chauncey  
21 McKinney, and JaRon McKinney as a tangible token of the  
22 sentiments expressed herein.

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