

By Representatives Alexander, Putnam, Dockery, Edwards and Stabins

1 House Resolution

2 A resolution honoring Mrs. Odessa Johnson.

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4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Odessa Johnson, a Polk County teacher of
5 severely disabled children, is one of ten national recipients
6 of the 1998 Reader's Digest American Heroes in Education
7 Award, and

8 WHEREAS, Mrs. Odessa Johnson, who teaches at the Polk
9 Life and Learning Center, was selected from over 700 educators
10 from across the country, and

11 WHEREAS, the Reader's Digest American Heroes in
12 Education Awards is a program to honor outstanding educators
13 whose vision, determination, and extraordinary effort enable
14 youngsters to succeed, and

15 WHEREAS, through her innovative thematic and
16 multisensory approach to teaching, Mrs. Johnson provides a
17 stimulating atmosphere in which practical and functional life
18 skills are interwoven, and

19 WHEREAS, the progress made by her students is due to
20 Mrs. Johnson's compassionate heart, expertise, tenacity, and
21 desire to make a difference, NOW, THEREFORE,

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23 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
24 Florida:

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26 That Mrs. Odessa Johnson is hereby honored for her
27 dedication and outstanding achievements.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution
29 be presented to Mrs. Odessa Johnson as a tangible token of the
30 sentiments expressed herein.

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