

## Senate Resolution 78

By: Senators Price of the 56<sup>th</sup>, Ray of the 48<sup>th</sup>, Paul of the 40<sup>th</sup>, Tate of the 38<sup>th</sup>, James of the 35<sup>th</sup> and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 To recognize and commend Stephen D. Dolinger; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, in 1995, the Fulton County Board of Education asked Stephen D. Dolinger to  
3 come to Georgia as the Superintendent and leader of the Fulton County School System; and

4 WHEREAS, Stephen D. Dolinger accepted the Board's challenge and has now served for  
5 more than five years at the helm of one of the premier school systems in the state and nation;  
6 and

7 WHEREAS, during his time in the Fulton County School System, Stephen D. Dolinger has  
8 introduced a Model for Excellence that highlights three areas – student achievement, process  
9 improvement, and stakeholder satisfaction – and has used this model to transform the school  
10 system into an organization focused on results; and

11 WHEREAS, Stephen D. Dolinger has effectively used his proven leadership skills to manage  
12 explosive growth and now successfully oversees 70 schools, 70,000 students, 8,000  
13 employees, and a \$500 million annual budget; and

14 WHEREAS, the Fulton County School System, under Stephen D. Dolinger's leadership,  
15 frequently earns state and national recognition for its award-winning programs, schools, staff,  
16 and students; and

17 WHEREAS, Stephen D. Dolinger has been asked to share his expertise and knowledge with  
18 others and willingly does so by serving as a board member for numerous educational and  
19 cultural organizations; and

20 WHEREAS, the Georgia School Superintendents Association and the Georgia School Boards  
21 Association both recently recognized Stephen D. Dolinger as the Georgia Superintendent of  
22 the Year.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
2 do hereby recognize and commend the Honorable Stephen D. Dolinger for his commitment  
3 to improving education and for this dedication to the children of Fulton County and of this  
4 state.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
6 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Stephen D. Dolinger.