

Senate Resolution 711

By: Senators Brush of the 24th and Hudgens of the 47th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Ms. Katherine "Kelly" Flanders on her selection as a 2005 Georgia Teacher
2 of the Year semifinalist; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Ms. Kelly Flanders is recognized throughout Georgia and the nation as one of
4 the premier educators working in her field; and

5 WHEREAS, though Georgia has many wonderful teachers, Ms. Flanders represents the
6 cream of the crop having been selected one of ten educators in the state to compete for the
7 title of 2005 Georgia Teacher of the Year; and

8 WHEREAS, the selection process begins at the local level as each applicant for the state title
9 must first be recognized as his or her system's Teacher of the Year, and this year 134 entries
10 were submitted by Georgia school systems; and

11 WHEREAS, Thomson High School in Thomson is proud to claim Kelly Flanders as one of
12 its own; and

13 WHEREAS, Ms. Flanders teaches English and drama at Thomson High School and holds
14 a master's degree in secondary English and a master's of letters in dramatic theory; and

15 WHEREAS, she is quite simply one of the most accomplished and qualified educators in the
16 State of Georgia to be nominated for this year's award; and

17 WHEREAS, she has written three full-length plays, a dozen chancel dramas, and has
18 produced numerous school plays and musicals for the enjoyment of her community; and

19 WHEREAS, few, if any, entrants could be more qualified or deserving of the honor than Ms.
20 Flanders.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
2 commend Ms. Katherine Flanders on her dedication to her profession, her students, and her
3 community and congratulate her being named a semifinalist for the 2005 Georgia Teacher
4 of the Year and for being named McDuffie County's Teacher of the Year.

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 Ms. Katherine "Kelly" Flanders.