

Senate Resolution 970

By: Senators Collins of the 6th, Hall of the 22nd, Kemp of the 46th, Brush of the 24th and Price of the 56th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Communities In Schools of Georgia, Inc.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Communities In Schools (CIS) is Georgia's largest community-based
3 organization in helping kids succeed in school and prepare for life; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the organization operates in 60 counties, works with 429 schools, and engages
5 about 65,000 children, pre-kindergarten through high school, in Georgia; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Communities In Schools supports local school districts in meeting the adequate
7 yearly progress objectives required by the No Child Left Behind Act; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Communities In Schools operates marker programs in Georgia communities
9 aimed at parent education, literacy, technology, mentoring, youth development, and
10 innovative teen education; and
- 11 WHEREAS, since 1977, the organization has served Georgia through programs directed at
12 decreasing the school dropout rate and increasing graduation rates; and
- 13 WHEREAS, in partnership with local school systems, Communities In Schools has initiated
14 the Performance Learning Center concept, mini-high schools for students in jeopardy of
15 dropping out of school, in Augusta, Albany, Athens, Newnan, Statesboro, Valdosta, and
16 Atlanta, where students are challenged to meet their social and academic goals; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the organization will replicate the Performance Learning Center concept in 25
18 Georgia counties by the end of 2005; and
- 19 WHEREAS, the organization has achieved results in this area of critical importance,
20 reducing the number of student suspensions, improving attendance, and boosting academic
21 performance in at least 73 percent of its high school student population; and

1 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
2 distinguished Georgia not for profit corporation be appropriately recognized.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
4 commend Communities In Schools of Georgia, Inc., for its dedication and hard work on
5 behalf of promoting a community effort in the furtherance of education by all children and
6 extend their best wishes for continued success in all its future endeavors.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
8 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Communities In Schools of Georgia, Inc.