

Senate Resolution 1055

By: Senator Brown of the 26th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Alvin J. Copeland; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, in January, 2004, Alvin J. Copeland, the Athletic Director and Head Girls
3 Basketball Coach of Northeast Health Science Magnet High School, reached his 700th career
4 win; and

5 WHEREAS, his impressive career record ranks him among the top 50 high school coaches
6 in the nation according to *USA Today*; and

7 WHEREAS, Coach Copeland has led Northeast to capture five state championships titles—the
8 first won in 1975 and the others in 1981, 1982, 1985, and 2002; and

9 WHEREAS, Coach Copeland’s success is not limited to basketball: In the area of track and
10 field, he has led the Raiders to two state championships and the Raiderettes to seven state
11 championships; and

12 WHEREAS, a native of Valdosta, Georgia, he graduated and received degrees from both Fort
13 Valley State University and New York University; and

14 WHEREAS, he started teaching at Hubbard High School in Forsyth, and he worked at
15 Appling Junior High School prior to coming to Northeast Health Science Magnet High
16 School; and

17 WHEREAS, his impeccable record bespeaks his dedication, commitment, and tenacity.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
19 commend Alvin J. Copeland for his outstanding achievements as a coach and for his
20 contributions to the youth of this state.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Alvin J. Copeland.