

House Resolution 1456

By: Representative Fludd of the 66th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Marc Ellis and the South Fulton Business and
2 Empowerment Center's "Out Of the Box" youth financial literacy program; and for other
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Marc Ellis and the South Fulton Business and Empowerment Center of
5 Union City in partnership with local business leaders developed and manages the "Out Of
6 the Box" youth financial literacy program, which is a nonprofit six-month program designed
7 to teach at-risk youth between the ages of 14 and 17 how to be good financial stewards; and

8 WHEREAS, in 2005 over 20 high school students from Creekside, East Coweta, McIntosh,
9 Tri-Cities, Sandy Creek and Clarkston high schools graduated with enthusiasm from the "Out
10 Of the Box" program with an understanding of income potential and the economic risk
11 associated with financial investing and fundamental financial skills; and

12 WHEREAS, students in the "Out Of the Box" program are taught corporate success
13 strategies and how to manage a checkbook, personal finances, and investment portfolios;
14 while at the same time receiving character building skills; and

15 WHEREAS, the "Out Of the Box" program is designed to develop an understanding of the
16 basics of managing finances while at the same time building self-esteem and broadening the
17 students' belief they can achieve success; and

18 WHEREAS, the ultimate objective of the "Out Of the Box" program is to foster enthusiastic
19 investors and develop in our future leaders a passion for financial empowerment; and

20 WHEREAS, South Fulton Business and Empowerment Center and the "Out Of the Box"
21 youth financial literacy program is committed to developing young leaders by teaching
22 business and character principles that will last a lifetime.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 it recognizes and commends Mr. Marc Ellis and the South Fulton Business and
3 Empowerment Center of Union City's "Out Of the Box" program and its outstanding work
4 in helping the youth to better their individual and collective quality of life by learning how
5 to be good financial stewards.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
7 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Marc Ellis and the
8 South Fulton Business and Empowerment Center of Union City.