

## House Resolution 1944

By: Representatives Shaw of the 176<sup>th</sup>, Borders of the 175<sup>th</sup>, and Black of the 174<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending James A. Bridges; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, James A. Bridges is widely recognized throughout the state as the  
3 personification of excellence in technical education; and
- 4 WHEREAS, this highly respected professional educator and administrator has served with  
5 honor and distinction as a technical educator for over 40 years and as president of Valdosta  
6 Technical College since 1984; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he believes that his continuing role as an educator and administrator is to act  
8 as an instrument of inspiration and enthusiasm to his pupils and to create a positive learning  
9 environment through the encouragement of competitive instincts in students; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he is regarded by his peers as the "Dean of Technical Educator" and he has  
11 announced his retirement effective June 1, 2006; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he is a shining example of the important impact that the efforts of education  
13 professionals are making on the quality of technical education received by the students of this  
14 state, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that his superlative accomplishments be  
15 recognized appropriately.
- 16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
17 the members of this body heartily and gratefully commend James A. Bridges for his sacrifice,  
18 foresight, accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of technical education in Georgia and  
19 for the positive influence he has had upon the lives and futures of countless young people in  
20 this state; congratulate him upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and extend to him their  
21 most sincere best wishes for health and happiness in the future.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to James A. Bridges.