

## House Resolution 855

By: Representative Dickson of the 6<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and expressing support for civic education in our public schools; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, our constitutional democracy requires the continued participation of an engaged  
4 citizenry to function effectively; and

5 WHEREAS, it is widely recognized that the civic mission of schools is essential to the  
6 preparation of future citizens; and

7 WHEREAS, representative delegations from Georgia have participated in the Congressional  
8 Conferences on Civic Education for the past four years, and conference delegates have  
9 affirmed the need for a renewed national and state commitment to civic education; and

10 WHEREAS, the Georgia Council for the Social Studies has developed a position paper,  
11 "Teaching and Learning Social Studies in Georgia," that recognizes social studies as a vital  
12 discipline and of critical importance to the development of citizens with the ability and  
13 disposition to participate effectively in a democratic society.

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, that  
15 the members of this body endorse the continued participation in and the work of the  
16 Congressional Conference on Civic Education and the position of teaching and learning  
17 social studies in Georgia as presented by the Georgia Council for the Social Studies.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
19 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Georgia delegation to the  
20 Congressional Conference on Civic Education and the Georgia Council for the Social  
21 Studies.