

House Resolution 1281

By: Representatives Carter of the 175th, Shaw of the 176th, Black of the 174th, and Williams of the 178th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Sam Allen upon the occasion of his retirement from Valdosta
2 City Schools; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Sam Allen became the superintendent of Valdosta City Schools in 1997;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Allen began his career with Valdosta City Schools as a social studies
6 teacher in 1978; and

7 WHEREAS, he also served as assistant principal, principal, transportation director, and
8 assistant superintendent; and

9 WHEREAS, he graduated from Valdosta State College in 1977, with a Bachelor of Arts in
10 history, with a Masters of Education in administration and supervision in 1985, and with an
11 Education Specialist degree in administration and supervision in 1989; and

12 WHEREAS, he has a deep respect for every member of the faculty and staff, the students,
13 and the alumni, working tirelessly with the school system community and outside groups to
14 move Valdosta City Schools to a new level of excellence and performance; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Allen is a civic leader serving on numerous state and regional boards,
16 including the Georgia Association of School Administrators, the American Association of
17 School Administrators, and the Georgia Association of Education; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Allen will become Superintendent Emeritus on February 18, 2008, and will
19 retire at the end of 2008; and

20 WHEREAS, the legacy of Sam Allen will include the excellence of Valdosta City Schools
21 that continues to change lives in positive and lasting ways.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body recognize and commend Mr. Sam Allen on the occasion of his
3 retirement and his exemplary service to Valdosta City Schools, his community, and this state.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Sam Allen.