

House Resolution 1541

By: Representative Smith of the 168<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Chelsie Marie Restrepo; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Chelsie Marie Restrepo has shown by the example of her academic  
3 accomplishments and community service that the pursuit and attainment of excellence are  
4 within the reach of the students in this state; and

5 WHEREAS, a junior at Bacon County High School, this remarkable scholar has earned  
6 distinction through her superlative achievements and extracurricular activities; and

7 WHEREAS, a talented student athlete, Chelsie is a member of the Bacon County High  
8 School varsity softball team, a member of 4-H and Health Occupations Students of America,  
9 and serves as president of the Exchange Excel Club; and

10 WHEREAS, a compassionate, driven, and generous young woman, Chelsie organized a  
11 fundraising effort for a playground project for foster children and children in protective  
12 services with the Bacon County Department of Family and Children Services (DFACS); and

13 WHEREAS, Chelsie dedicated a year of her time, talents, and energy to creating and  
14 participating in fundraising projects such as competing in a weightlifting competition, selling  
15 blueberry buddies at the blueberry festival, and soliciting monetary and building material  
16 donations from local businesses, organizations, and residents; and

17 WHEREAS, in recognition for her commitment and dedicated service to improving the lives  
18 of Bacon County foster children, the playground was named "Chelsie's Playground" in her  
19 honor; and

20 WHEREAS, in November, 2009, she organized and coordinated a beauty pageant, Miss  
21 Winter Wonderland, to raise money for Bacon County DFACS to buy presents for foster  
22 children and children in protective services; and

23 WHEREAS, for the past four years, Chelsie has organized a shoe box Christmas for Bacon  
24 County DFACS, asking 4-H participants in fifth through twelfth grade to donate items for  
25 gift bags given out by DFACS at their annual holiday party for foster children; and

26 WHEREAS, Chelsie's selfless actions and generosity have brought great pride to her mother,  
27 Kim Manning, her classmates, her friends, and her community; and

28 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia looks with great anticipation toward the future of this  
29 bright and promising young citizen.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
31 the members of this body heartily commend Chelsie Marie Restrepo for her spectacular  
32 scholastic endeavors and altruistic community service and express to her their most sincere  
33 best wishes for continued success in the future.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
35 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Chelsie Marie Restrepo.