

## House Resolution 488

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

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Hahira Middle School for being designated as a Georgia  
2 Lighthouse School to Watch in 2009; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Hahira Middle School in Hahira, Georgia, has been designated as a Georgia  
4 Lighthouse School to Watch, a recognition program developed by the National Forum to  
5 Accelerate Middle-Grades Reform; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Hahira Middle School joins 14 other Georgia schools to receive this prestigious  
7 designation since the program's inception in 2002; and
- 8 WHEREAS, a school deemed a Lighthouse School to Watch has been selected by state  
9 leaders for its academic excellence, responsiveness to the needs and interests of young  
10 adolescents, and commitment to helping students achieve at high levels; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the recognition demonstrates that Hahira Middle School is a school with strong  
12 leadership, teachers who work together to improve curriculum and instruction, and  
13 dedication to assessment and accountability to bring about continuous improvement; and
- 14 WHEREAS, this remarkable middle school has proven that it is possible to overcome  
15 barriers in order to achieve excellence and become a place of learning where educators and  
16 students are eager to take part; and
- 17 WHEREAS, with this title, Hahira Middle School is officially acknowledged as a model  
18 middle school and will serve as a shining example for other middle schools across the state;  
19 and
- 20 WHEREAS, this designation is an honor for students, faculty, and staff and one that is  
21 deserving of pride for the school and the Hahira community.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
23 the members of this body commend Hahira Middle School on its designation as a Georgia  
24 Lighthouse School to Watch.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
26 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Hahira Middle School.