

House Resolution 468

By: Representatives Wilkinson of the 52nd, Maddox of the 172nd, Taylor of the 173rd, Smyre of the 132nd, Coleman of the 97th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Karen Cox for her outstanding work in the field of
2 education; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Ms. Karen Cox has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the
4 vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the
5 education of the students of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, a highly respected educator and administrator, Ms. Cox began her career with
7 Fulton County Public Schools in 1981 as a health and physical education teacher at Westlake
8 High School; and

9 WHEREAS, in 1989, she began service as a Health and Drug-Free Schools program
10 consultant for the Fulton County School System, and in 1992 she became the school system's
11 coordinator of health and physical education; and

12 WHEREAS, Ms. Cox has served as the system's coordinator for Continuous Improvement,
13 championing the 8 Step Instructional Process to improve classroom instruction, and was
14 named the first principal of Ridgeview Middle School in 2002; and

15 WHEREAS, during her tenure at Ridgeview Middle, Ms. Cox has overseen the school's
16 successful transition to a charter program, supervised the school's renovation process, and
17 managed the smooth transition to an International Baccalaureate program; and

18 WHEREAS, Ms. Cox has recently accepted the position of Fulton County School System's
19 Executive Director of Professional Learning; and

20 WHEREAS, in recognition of her contributions to the students in this state, it is abundantly
21 fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary commitment and accomplishments
22 of this outstanding individual.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body heartily commend Ms. Karen Cox for her sacrifice, foresight,
25 accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of education in Georgia and for the positive
26 influence she has had upon the lives and futures of countless young people in this state.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Karen Cox.