

## House Resolution 1058

By: Representatives Dukes of the 150<sup>th</sup>, Fullerton of the 151<sup>st</sup>, and Rynders of the 152<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Albany Technical College on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, 2011 marks the 50th year anniversary of Albany Technical College, which is  
4 holding a yearlong celebration of the founding of the college; and

5 WHEREAS, Albany Tech traces its roots back to 1961 when it was established as the  
6 Monroe Area Vocational-Technical School, enrolling 175 students; shortly thereafter, the  
7 Albany Area Vocational-Technical School was built, and in 1972 the two schools were  
8 merged in the current location; and

9 WHEREAS, in July 1988, the Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education  
10 (DTAE), now the Technical College System of Georgia, was formed, and the newly named  
11 Albany Technical Institute came under its direction; and

12 WHEREAS, Albany Tech was charged with providing technical education opportunities to  
13 the residents, businesses, and industries within a seven-county service delivery area. These  
14 counties include Baker, Calhoun, Clay, Dougherty, Lee, Randolph, and Terrell; and

15 WHEREAS, with the passage of House Bill 1187, the General Assembly approved the  
16 changing of DTAE technical institutes' names to "college" if they offered associate degrees;  
17 and, meeting the criterion, Albany Technical Institute became Albany Technical College  
18 with a grand ceremony on July 6, 2000; and

19 WHEREAS, the college has come a long way in 50 years, especially in the last 15;  
20 enrollment has increased from 900 students to almost 4,500, and the number of educational  
21 programs has tripled.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
23 the members of this body recognize Albany Technical College and commend it  
24 administrators, faculty, staff, and students for their many contributions to the welfare of this  
25 state.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
27 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Albany Technical College.