

Senate Resolution 741

By: Senators Tippins of the 37th, Hill of the 32nd, Stoner of the 6th and Rogers of the 21st

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Dr. Emily Lembeck; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Dr. Emily Lembeck has been named as the 2012 Georgia Superintendent of the  
3 Year, this being the third year that she has been a finalist for this award; and
- 4 WHEREAS, she served as associate superintendent for Curriculum and Operations of  
5 Marietta City Schools from 2001 until her appointment as superintendent in 2005; and
- 6 WHEREAS, in 2010, Dr. Lembeck launched *Marietta Reads!*, a city-wide effort to foster  
7 reading and literacy which helped Marietta illustrate how it has increased student test scores  
8 and book circulation and consequently led to Marietta's selection as an All-American City  
9 at the 2006 National Civic League AAC competition; and
- 10 WHEREAS, she is an active member of many professional committees and organizations,  
11 including the Cobb Chamber of Commerce Leadership Cobb Class of 2000, the Kiwanis  
12 Club of Marietta, Cobb Executive Women, Cobb Chamber of Commerce, and Cobb  
13 Education Consortium; and
- 14 WHEREAS, she serves as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia School  
15 Superintendents Association and represents Georgia as a member of the Governing Board  
16 of the American Association of School Administrators; and
- 17 WHEREAS, she was most recently named Woman of the Year 2008 by the Cobb chapter of  
18 the American Association of University Women and was a recipient of the Professional  
19 Achievement Award from the University of Georgia; and
- 20 WHEREAS, her focus is on meeting the needs of all students, regardless of what those needs  
21 are, and with her leadership skills, the schools have been able to overcome unprecedented  
22 challenges while continuing to excel in student achievement; and

23 WHEREAS, she has implemented leading-edge instructional programs, such as the  
24 International Baccalaureate Program district wide, *Marietta Reads!*, and elementary school  
25 choice; and

26 WHEREAS, since becoming superintendent, the percentage of students in grades three  
27 through eight exceeding standards in one or more areas of the CRCT has increased 16.4  
28 percent, and the graduation rate has increased 11 percent; and

29 WHEREAS, Dr. Lembeck has consistently garnered praise from the members of the  
30 Marietta Board of Education for involving them, the staff, and the community in formulating  
31 and implementing new ideas; and

32 WHEREAS, Dr. Emily Lembeck has long been recognized by the citizens of this state as a  
33 leader with a deep personal commitment to her students.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY SENATE that the members of this body  
35 commend the dedicated and selfless contributions on behalf of education in Georgia of Dr.  
36 Emily Lembeck.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
38 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Emily Lembeck.