

House Resolution 1168

By: Representatives Sheldon of the 105th and Coleman of the 97th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Frank N. Osborne Middle School and inviting Principal John Campbell to be
- 2 recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

- 3 WHEREAS, Frank N. Osborne Middle School has been recognized for its students' writing
- 4 excellence; and

- 5 WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Education requires all students in eighth grade to
- 6 take a writing assessment in which they are given 100 minutes to write either an expository
- 7 or a persuasive essay responding to an assigned prompt; and

- 8 WHEREAS, each student's paper is scored independently by two raters in the four domains
- 9 of ideas, organization, style, and conventions; and

- 10 WHEREAS, at Frank N. Osborne Middle School the belief is that teaching students to
- 11 become proficient writers helps them to organize, extend, and deepen their knowledge as
- 12 well as facilitate reading comprehension; and

- 13 WHEREAS, the teachers and staff have made a multi-year commitment to teach writing in
- 14 all four core subject areas, language arts, math, science, and social studies; and

- 15 WHEREAS, this ongoing focus and commitment to writing at this outstanding school has
- 16 resulted in numerous awards from the Governor's Office of Student Achievement including
- 17 being named a 2009 Georgia School of Excellence, receiving the 2011 Platinum Award, and
- 18 earning the highest eighth grade writing scores in the state for 2010 and 2011; and

- 19 WHEREAS, Principal John Campbell has long been recognized by the citizens of this state
- 20 for the vital role that he has played in the teaching profession and his deep personal
- 21 commitment to the education of the students of Georgia; and

22 WHEREAS, nothing is more vital to the future of our state than the education of our young
23 people, and Principal John Campbell exemplifies the selfless dedication which is
24 characteristic of our finest educators; and

25 WHEREAS, the devotion to providing the students of Georgia with a quality education
26 demonstrated by Principal John Campbell, teachers, and staff is worthy of recognition.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body congratulate the teachers, staff, and students at Frank N. Osborne
29 Middle School for their dedication, academic achievements, and the numerous awards they
30 have received and invite Principal John Campbell to be recognized by the House of
31 Representatives at a date and time designated by the Speaker of the House.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Principal John Campbell.