

House Resolution 1182

By: Representatives Tankersley of the 158th, Burns of the 157th, Parrish of the 156th, and Dutton of the 166th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Ogeechee Technical College and inviting President Dawn Cartee to be
2 recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Ogeechee Technical College has been named as the state's 2011 Technical
4 College of the Year by the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia and
5 awarded President Dawn Cartee with the Perdue Award; and

6 WHEREAS, the judging for the award is based on several performance categories in the
7 areas of technical education, adult education, economic development, resource development,
8 administration, and national recognition, and the criteria includes enrollment numbers,
9 graduates and graduation rate, student retention rate, job placement, licensure rate, the
10 number of GED graduates who transition to college, and cost efficiencies; and

11 WHEREAS, the award is named in honor of former Governor Sonny Perdue for his many
12 years of support for the technical colleges and their mission of workforce development
13 through technical and adult education; and

14 WHEREAS, President Cartee and the faculty and staff have put forth an exceptional level
15 of hard work on behalf of their students, the local community they serve, and the businesses
16 and industries that rely on the college to fill the workforce with highly trained graduates; and

17 WHEREAS, a banner year for Ogeechee Technical College, enrollment grew by 10.3 percent
18 between 2010 and 2011, with 4,470 students attending classes, the number of full-time
19 equivalent students increased by 18.2 percent, and in the last year 993 students graduated in
20 certificate, diploma, and degree programs, which was an 11.6 percent increase from the
21 previous year; and

22 WHEREAS, by creating a respectful learning environment, Ogeechee Technical College
23 enables students to learn with confidence, experience success, and achieve their maximum
24 potential; and

25 WHEREAS, President Dawn Cartee has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
26 the vital role that she has played in the teaching profession and her deep personal
27 commitment to the education of the students of Georgia; and

28 WHEREAS, the devotion to providing the students of Georgia with a quality education
29 demonstrated by President Dawn Cartee, teachers, and staff is worthy of recognition.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
31 the members of this body congratulate the faculty, staff, and students of Ogeechee Technical
32 College for being named as the state's 2011 Technical College of the Year and invite
33 President Dawn Cartee to be recognized by the House of Representatives at a date and time
34 designated by the Speaker of the House.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
36 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to President Dawn Cartee.