

## House Resolution 2065

By: Representatives Drenner of the 86<sup>th</sup>, Henson of the 87<sup>th</sup>, Mosby of the 90<sup>th</sup>, Williams of the 89<sup>th</sup>, and Mayo of the 91<sup>st</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Georgia Perimeter College President Anthony Tricoli; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Georgia Perimeter College President Anthony Tricoli has long been recognized  
4 by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he has played in higher education and his  
5 deep personal commitment to the students of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, President Tricoli led college-wide discussions which resulted in the creation of  
7 the Southern Academy for Literary Arts and Scholarly Research and supported the  
8 application for several STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) grants  
9 which resulted in over \$3 million of those grants coming to Georgia Perimeter College; and

10 WHEREAS, President Tricoli has led Georgia Perimeter College in the growth of  
11 educational program offerings to United States military personnel and their dependents,  
12 resulting in the highest enrollment of military students in the State of Georgia; and

13 WHEREAS, he has set the standard in co-leading the development of Georgia's first  
14 three-year bachelor degree program in partnership with Dr. Kendall Blanchard of Georgia  
15 Southwestern State University; and

16 WHEREAS, he has received numerous honors, including the Pacesetter Award for the  
17 Southern United States from the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations and  
18 the Ralph S. Brown Award, the first two-year college president ever to receive this award;  
19 and

20 WHEREAS, he has led the growth of enrollment at the university system's third largest  
21 institution of higher learning in the state, growing from a projected 13,400 in the fall of 2007  
22 to over 27,000 in the fall of 2011; and

23 WHEREAS, he has led the growth in online distance learning at Georgia Perimeter College  
24 from 1,600 students in the spring of 2007 to over 10,000 in the spring of 2011; and

25 WHEREAS, President Tricoli led the creation of the Southeastern Institute for Sustainability  
26 and on February 15, 2012, signed a memorandum of understanding with the United States  
27 Environmental Protection Agency as the first two-year college in the nation to partner with  
28 the EPA and to serve as a model for all 1,200 of the nation's two-year colleges; and

29 WHEREAS, he has led Georgia Perimeter College to "State College" standing with the  
30 offering of two bachelor degrees which will start in the fall of 2012; and

31 WHEREAS, Georgia Perimeter College recently received recognition by DeKalb County as  
32 a Keep DeKalb Beautiful Green Business for its work in sustainable business practices.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
34 the members of this body commend Georgia Perimeter College President Anthony Tricoli  
35 for his sacrifice, foresight, accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of education in  
36 Georgia and for the positive influence he has had upon the lives and futures of countless  
37 people in this state.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
39 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Georgia Perimeter College  
40 President Anthony Tricoli.