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House Resolution 535

By: Representatives Wilkinson of the 52nd, Harrell of the 106th, Geisinger of the 48th, Willard of the 51st, Lindsey of the 54th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending St. Jude the Apostle Catholic School on the occasion of its
- 2 50th anniversary; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, a proper quality education for the young people of this state is the single most
- 4 important objective of the General Assembly; and
- 5 WHEREAS, during the 2012-2013 academic year, St. Jude the Apostle Catholic School in
- 6 Sandy Springs, Georgia, is celebrating 50 wonderful years of providing a strong academic
- 7 and spiritually enriched foundation for the young citizens of Georgia; and
- 8 WHEREAS, an institution of humble origins, the school was first built on a road that was not
- 9 even paved, but over the years the area around St. Jude the Apostle Catholic School has
- 10 evolved into a thriving community; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the school currently serves a population of approximately 500 students ranging
- 12 from kindergarten through eighth grade; and
- 13 WHEREAS, all students are instructed in the core curriculum, which includes religion,
- 14 reading, literature, grammar, spelling, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies, and
- in the enrichment programs, which include art, computer science, music, physical education,
- 16 and Spanish; and
- 17 WHEREAS, students are offered and encouraged to embrace additional activities and
- 18 leadership opportunities, including Student Council, Drama Club, Safety Patrol, Life Teen
- 19 Band, Altar Servers, Oratorical Competition, Math Super Stars, Odyssey of the Mind, Future
- 20 City, and the Middle School Advisor-Advisee Program; and

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21 WHEREAS, together with the family, the faculty and staff provide an atmosphere for moral

- 22 development while teaching Christian values, Catholic beliefs and traditions, and a spirit of
- 23 cooperation; and
- 24 WHEREAS, the school continues to enjoy full accreditation by the Southern Association of
- 25 Colleges and Schools and has been selected as a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence;
- 26 and
- 27 WHEREAS, St. Jude the Apostle Catholic School is dedicated to the formation of students
- 28 willing and able to serve God and the world by providing the guidance and instruction
- 29 necessary to motivate students toward goals commensurate with their abilities, and it is
- 30 abundantly fitting and proper that the school be recognized for its outstanding commitment
- 31 to the intellectual and moral welfare of the students of this state.
- 32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 33 the members of this body recognize and commend St. Jude the Apostle Catholic School for
- 34 50 years of dedicated service to the Lord and the young citizens of this state.
- 35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to St. Jude the Apostle
- 37 Catholic School.