

Senate Resolution 354

By: Senators Parent of the 42nd, Orrock of the 36th, Davenport of the 44th, Henson of the 41st and Jones of the 10th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the City Schools of Decatur School Board and recognizing the week of
2 March 16-20, 2015, as School Board Appreciation Week in Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Georgia State Senate recognizes the City Schools of Decatur School Board
4 and its members: Dr. Phyllis A. Edwards, Superintendent; Garrett Goebel, Chair; Julie
5 Rhame, Vice Chair; Bernadette Seals; Annie Caiola; and Lewis Jones for their strong
6 commitment to the students of District 42 and for focusing on education and students' needs
7 to drive all decisions; and

8 WHEREAS, the City Schools of Decatur School Board has been recognized by the Georgia
9 School Boards Association as a Distinguished School Board; and

10 WHEREAS, high expectations for students have helped the City Schools of Decatur School
11 Board and school district achieve success; and

12 WHEREAS, the City Schools of Decatur was one of the first charter systems in the state and
13 is committed to the shared school governance model of working with their community and
14 staff to use flexibility to determine the educational needs of the students in their district; and

15 WHEREAS, the City Schools of Decatur had the highest system SAT composite score in
16 Georgia for 2014 and continues to have one of the highest graduation rates in the state.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
18 commend the City Schools of Decatur School Board and declare the week of March 16-20,
19 2015, as School Board Appreciation Week in Georgia.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
21 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the City Schools of
22 Decatur School Board.