

Senate Resolution 817

By: Senator Jones of the 25th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Putnam County Charter School System on receiving the Charter System
2 Innovation Award; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Putnam County Charter School System received the Charter System Innovation
4 Award at the First Annual Charter System Foundation Award luncheon for personalizing
5 education and readying students for graduation with its innovative system; and

6 WHEREAS, Putnam County Charter School System scored in the top 15 school systems in
7 Georgia on the Career and College Readiness Report Index; and

8 WHEREAS, Putnam County Charter School System was named in the Best High Schools
9 by *U.S. News & World Report* and given a bronze ranking based on the student body's
10 college readiness; and

11 WHEREAS, Putnam County Charter School System is one of 33 charter systems in this state,
12 a concept created by Lieutenant Governor Cagle in 2007 with the passage of the Charter
13 System Act to push the boundaries of innovation and strive for excellence; and

14 WHEREAS, Putnam County Charter School System has found great success with its
15 program Summer Inspiration, which now includes 70 different camps, has enrolled more than
16 30 percent of the student population, and has provided nutritious breakfast and lunch through
17 another program, Seamless Summer; and

18 WHEREAS, Putnam County Charter School System follows its mission statement "to assist
19 all students in acquiring knowledge, fostering aspirations, and developing life skills that will
20 empower them to become self-directing, productive, and contributing members of a global
21 society"; and

22 WHEREAS, Putnam County Charter School System has used its innovative charter system
23 to improve the education in its community.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
25 commend Putnam County Charter School System on receiving the Charter System
26 Innovation Award and for its dedicated service to the community and state.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
28 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Putnam County
29 Charter School System.