

## House Resolution 1275

By: Representatives Dempsey of the 13<sup>th</sup>, Lumsden of the 12<sup>th</sup>, Coomer of the 14<sup>th</sup>, Houston of the 170<sup>th</sup>, and Ballinger of the 23<sup>rd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Darlington School honor system;  
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in 1915, students Hollie Vandiver, Roy Echols, John Wooten, Barrington King,  
4 Thompson Hiles, and Earl Shamblin founded the honor system; and

5 WHEREAS, the Darlington School's honor system, which revolves around an honor code  
6 enforced by a student-elected and student-run council, remains an integral part of the school's  
7 mission and culture, and the honor code creates and maintains a community of trust in which  
8 each member embraces the importance of honorable living; and

9 WHEREAS, at the beginning of each school year, new faculty members and students declare  
10 their honorable intentions and publicly acknowledge their support of the honor system by  
11 signing a pledge to follow and uphold the honor code, in order to keep "honor above  
12 everything"; and

13 WHEREAS, the Darlington School is an independent, coeducational, college-preparatory  
14 school for students in grades PK-12, with boarding available for grades 9-12; the school's  
15 mission is to empower students to learn with passion, act with integrity, and serve with  
16 respect; and

17 WHEREAS, the founders John and Alice Allgood Cooper named the school in honor of Mr.  
18 Cooper's former teacher, Joseph James Darlington, whose chief emphasis was always upon  
19 character and service; and

20 WHEREAS, for over 100 years, the Darlington School has graduated young men and women  
21 who possess a deep understanding and appreciation of the world in which they live; and

22 WHEREAS, with equal emphasis on academic rigor and character development, the  
23 Darlington School designs learning experiences that grow students into adults who are  
24 prepared for a lifetime of thoughtful living, learning, and leading.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
26 the members of this body recognize and celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Darlington  
27 School honor system.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
29 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
30 Darlington School.