

Senate Resolution 1103

By: Senator Butler of the 55th

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the 2015-2016 Teacher of the Year Award recipients from  
2 Gwinnett County Schools, District 55; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, from preschool to high school, devoted teachers prepare all of us for our future;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, anyone who works, dreams, imagines, creates, or contributes to society owes  
6 thanks to a teacher who has provided help, knowledge, and inspiration along the way; and

7 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that teachers be recognized for their dedication and  
8 commitment to educating children; and

9 WHEREAS, in 1971, the Georgia Department of Education began Georgia's Teacher of the  
10 Year Program to spotlight the teaching profession and to recognize the commitment and  
11 devotion of especially outstanding public school teachers at each school; and

12 WHEREAS, to be selected as Teacher of the Year, one must be a certified classroom teacher  
13 who is an exceptionally dedicated, knowledgeable, and skilled teacher, who inspires students  
14 of all backgrounds with the ability to learn, who has the respect and admiration of students,  
15 parents, and colleagues, and who plays an active role in the school and community; and

16 WHEREAS, a Teacher of the Year is nominated and selected by his or her fellow teachers  
17 as professional recognition of the Teacher of the Year's instructional expertise and dedication  
18 for motivating his or her students to reach their full learning potential; and

19 WHEREAS, the 2015-2016 Teachers of the Year for Gwinnett County Schools, District 55,  
20 are Amy Jenny of Anderson-Livsey Elementary School, Teresa Meehan of Annistown  
21 Elementary School, Whitney Duncan of Bay Creek Middle School, Nyana Genama of Britt  
22 Elementary School, Marlene D. Reilly of Centerville Elementary School, Phyllis H.

23 Washington of Grace Snell Middle School, Caryn Lott of Grayson Elementary School, Sandy  
24 Stephens of Grayson High School, Rebecca Hollis of Magill Elementary School, Jessica  
25 Dunn of Norton Elementary School, Shanketa Gillard of Partee Elementary School, Kimya  
26 N. Motley of Rosebud Elementary School, Nicole DelBosque of Shiloh Elementary School,  
27 Traci Lynn Head of Shiloh High School, Michelle D. Sampson of Shiloh Middle School,  
28 Melissa K. Rogers of Snellville Middle School, Allison Falch of South Gwinnett High  
29 School, and Shannon Hayes of Trip Elementary School; and

30 WHEREAS, in recognition of such remarkable contributions to the education and welfare  
31 of Georgia's students, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to honor the  
32 extraordinary accomplishments and academic achievements of these exceptional teachers.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
34 recognize and commend the 2015-2016 Teacher of the Year Award recipients from Gwinnett  
35 County Schools and express gratitude for their invaluable contributions to education in  
36 Georgia.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
38 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the 2015-2016  
39 Teacher of the Year Award recipients from Gwinnett County Schools.