

Senate Resolution 1123

By: Senator Martin of the 9th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School for being named a 2016 Georgia Green
2 Ribbon School; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the aim of United States Department of Education Green Ribbon Schools is to
4 inspire schools, districts, and institutions of higher education to strive for 21st century
5 excellence by highlighting exemplary practices and resources that all can employ; and

6 WHEREAS, the Green Ribbon award recognizes schools, districts, and institutions of higher
7 education that reduce environmental impact and costs; improve the health and wellness of
8 schools, students, and staff; and provide environmental education, which teaches many
9 disciplines and is especially skilled at effectively incorporating STEM, civic skills, and green
10 career pathways – the combined achievement in all three of these areas serves as the basis
11 for recognition; and

12 WHEREAS, Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School has received two separate awards, in
13 partnership with Southface, from the Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta's "Grants
14 to Green" program, which resulted in the installation of energy-efficient LED lighting,
15 low-flow plumbing fixtures, water bottle filling stations, high performance windows, thermal
16 envelope insulation, and web-based centralized climate control for HVAC units; and

17 WHEREAS, these efforts have led to one of their buildings receiving an Energy STAR
18 certification and a score of 100 for 2015, and to participating in the Atlanta "Better Buildings
19 Challenge" program for sustainable buildings; and

20 WHEREAS, the school is being nominated to be a United States Department of Education
21 Green Ribbon School; and

22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
23 school be appropriately recognized.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
25 commend Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School for being named a 2016 Georgia Green
26 Ribbon School and recognize its commitment to inspiring and educating tomorrow's leaders
27 and preserving the natural beauty of this state.

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