

House Resolution 1641

By: Representative Belton of the 112<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Morgan County High School's Advanced Placement Scholars
- 2 with Distinction; and for other purposes.
  
- 3 WHEREAS, a proper quality education for the young people of this state is the single most
- 4 important objective of the General Assembly; and
  
- 5 WHEREAS, college students who have completed one Advanced Placement (AP) course
- 6 have a 59 percent chance of completing a four-year degree, while students who have
- 7 completed two or more AP courses have a 76 percent chance of completing a bachelor's
- 8 degree; and
  
- 9 WHEREAS, AP courses serve as predictors of college success and have become essential
- 10 to college admissions; students who took one or more AP exams were more than 30 percent
- 11 likely to graduate from college in four years as compared to non-AP students; and
  
- 12 WHEREAS, successfully passing AP exams reduces college expenses, allowing students to
- 13 save college tuition, study abroad, or secure a second major; and
  
- 14 WHEREAS, taking a related AP course and earning a qualifying score on the AP exam helps
- 15 students advance and avoid required introductory courses so that they can move directly into
- 16 upper-level classes and focus on work that interests them most; and
  
- 17 WHEREAS, students who take AP courses are better able to think outside the box and have
- 18 stronger study skills; and
  
- 19 WHEREAS, taking an AP exam places students beyond a college's general education
- 20 requirements; opens up additional time in their schedule; and enables them to take on a
- 21 second major or minor, take exciting electives, or pursue additional interests; and

22 WHEREAS, AP classes mimic college courses in the requirements, workload, and  
23 expectations of the students; and

24 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia invests more than half of its revenue in the education of  
25 future generations and looks to its academic scholars to be the leaders of tomorrow; and

26 WHEREAS, Samreen Fatima, Shannon Glosenger-Thrasher, Paul Keilman, Chris Sitzman,  
27 Claire Vinson, MaCayla Cook, and Mandolin Moody have personified the selfless  
28 dedication, mental agility, verbal adroitness, and personal maturity necessary for superlative  
29 academic performance; and

30 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that these remarkable students be  
31 appropriately recognized.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
33 the members of this body recognize and commend Morgan County High School's Advanced  
34 Placement Scholars with Distinction for their spectacular scholastic endeavors and extend  
35 best wishes for continued academic success in the future.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
37 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to  
38 Morgan County High School's Advanced Placement Scholars with Distinction.