

Senate Resolution 1228

By: Senators Hill of the 6th, Unterman of the 45th, Dugan of the 30th, Sims of the 12th and Heath of the 31st

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Ms. Sarah Margaret Lowder; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens  
3 with the passing of Ms. Sarah Margaret Lowder at the age of 32 after a battle with ovarian  
4 cancer; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Sarah received the Brown Elementary School Teacher of the Year award in  
6 2012 in honor of her remarkable impact on the academic community; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Sarah's devotion as a distinguished speech pathologist and advocate for her  
8 students at Brown Elementary and Smyrna Elementary Schools was evident from the time  
9 and attention she gave every student, whether hers or not; and
- 10 WHEREAS, in November, 2015, Sarah was diagnosed with ovarian cancer, which she  
11 battled with a positive and upbeat attitude, her faith in God never wavering, as she knew she  
12 was never fighting alone; and
- 13 WHEREAS, she inspired countless families, friends, and complete strangers with her  
14 courage and grace in the face of hardship; and
- 15 WHEREAS, although cancer created a void in the lives of everyone who loved her, her  
16 accomplishments had a significant impact on so many people that her memory will live on  
17 beautifully with them always; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the elementary schools at which she taught were honored by her presence, and  
19 she never let her health challenges interfere with her relationships with students, colleagues,  
20 and the surrounding community.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
22 join in honoring the life and memory of Ms. Sarah Margaret Lowder and commend her  
23 commitment to the community, her legacy of kindness, and her courage despite great  
24 obstacles.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
26 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of Ms.  
27 Sarah Margaret Lowder.