

Senate Resolution 397

By: Senators Orrock of the 36th, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd and Mullis of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Principal Stephanie Stephens Johnson on her outstanding public service and
2 upon receiving the Nikki T. Randall Servant Leadership Award; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Principal Stephanie Stephens Johnson has long been recognized by the citizens
4 of this state for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal
5 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state as evidenced
8 dramatically by her superlative service with improving the quality of education for students
9 at Maynard Jackson High School; and

10 WHEREAS, Principal Johnson's dedication to her students and school is evident with her
11 recognition as 2017 Georgia Principal of the Year and as 2017 National Principal of the Year
12 Finalist by the National Association of Secondary School Principals and her service on the
13 Georgia State Principals Center Advisory Board and the Georgia Association of Secondary
14 School Principals Board of Directors; and

15 WHEREAS, she also received recognition from UCLA Professor Pedro Noguera for her
16 practices defeating the odds and breaking barriers with education in her service to at-risk
17 communities; and

18 WHEREAS, Principal Johnson views a collaborative school environment as the key to
19 creating successful students and teachers and partnering with parents and community
20 members to create an essential and enriching educational experience for all stakeholders; and

21 WHEREAS, Principal Johnson's significant organizational and leadership talents, her
22 remarkable patience and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her sensitivity to the needs

23 of the young people of this state have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues
24 and associates; and

25 WHEREAS, she has served with honor and distinction as a principal, and her vision and
26 unyielding commitment to her students have set the standard for public school education; and

27 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
28 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
30 commend Principal Stephanie Stephens Johnson for her efficient, effective, unselfish, and
31 dedicated public service to the State of Georgia; congratulate her on being a recipient of the
32 Nikki T. Randall Servant Leadership Award; and extend the most sincere best wishes for
33 continued success.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Principal
36 Stephanie Stephens Johnson.