

House Resolution 995

By: Representatives Jones of the 47th, Martin of the 49th, Lott of the 122nd, Robichaux of the 48th, Fleming of the 121st, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Columbia County's River Ridge Elementary School's River
2 Ridge 3 Theater Team and ILM Academy's ILMSmarts Middle School Visual Arts Team as
3 grand prize winners of the Augusta University 2019 STEAMIFY Competition; and for other
4 purposes.

5 WHEREAS, River Ridge Elementary School and ILM Academy are two Georgia schools
6 with leaders and teachers who constantly demonstrate a sincere commitment to their students
7 through providing resources, support, and enriching learning experiences aimed at equipping
8 young minds for success in college and beyond; and

9 WHEREAS, these schools prepare the youth of Georgia to be 21st century citizens by
10 engaging them in the practical applications of math and science and the use of the design
11 process to solve real-world problems; and

12 WHEREAS, River Ridge Elementary School and ILM Academy teachers recognize and
13 support improving persistence and equity in STEM disciplines by intentionally planning
14 design experiences that culminate in engineering, engineering technologies, and art; and

15 WHEREAS, the River Ridge 3 Theater Team competed against 13 other elementary school
16 theater teams to achieve the distinction of First Place Winner in the Elementary Theater
17 Division during the 2019 STEAMIFY Competition; and

18 WHEREAS, the River Ridge 3 Theater Team competed against 62 other elementary school
19 teams in the 2019 STEAMIFY Competition to achieve the title of Elementary Grand Prize
20 Winner; and

21 WHEREAS, the ILMSmarts Middle School Visual Arts Team competed against 12 other
22 middle school visual arts teams to achieve the distinction of First Place Winner in the Middle
23 School Arts Division; and

24 WHEREAS, the ILMSmarts Middle School Visual Arts Team competed against 73 other
25 middle school teams in the 2019 STEAMIFY Competition to achieve the title of Middle
26 School Grand Prize Winner; and

27 WHEREAS, excellent performance, superior teamwork, remarkable focus, and extraordinary
28 persistence made these two teams spectacular to observe; and

29 WHEREAS, both teams have established and demonstrated excellence in 21st century skills,
30 including, but not limited to, applying knowledge, designing, problem-solving,
31 communicating, and working effectively as a unit; and

32 WHEREAS, these two teams have set the standard for hard work, practice, and dedication
33 to excellence, and the State of Georgia takes great pride in these exceptional young people
34 and their teacher-coaches.

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
36 the members of this body recognize and commend Columbia County's River Ridge
37 Elementary School's River Ridge 3 Theater Team and ILM Academy's ILMSmarts Middle
38 School Visual Arts Team as grand prize winners of the Augusta University 2019
39 STEAMIFY Competition and extend their most sincere best wishes for continued success.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
41 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to
42 Columbia County's River Ridge Elementary School's River Ridge 3 Theater Team and ILM
43 Academy's ILMSmarts Middle School Visual Arts Team.