

## Senate Resolution 866

By: Senators Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Albers of the 56th, Dolezal of the 27th, Cowsert of the 46th and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the University of North Georgia and its president, Dr. Bonita  
2 Jacobs; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the University of North Georgia has nearly 20,000 students across five  
4 campuses with over 75 degree offerings from associate to doctoral levels; and

5 WHEREAS, the university is designated by state legislation as the Military College of  
6 Georgia and by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia as a state  
7 leadership institution for its students and cadets; and

8 WHEREAS, one of six federally-designated senior military colleges in the United States, the  
9 university has produced 107 new officers for the army and is the state's top producer of new  
10 lieutenants for the Georgia Army National Guard; and

11 WHEREAS, the university is listed as one of the nation's top universities by *Forbes*  
12 *Magazine* for the third year in a row; in the top 25 in *US News & World Report's* public  
13 regional universities in the South; and in the top three in that group for the lowest amount of  
14 student loan debt load upon graduation; and

15 WHEREAS, all of the university's collective campuses had a \$667 million economic impact  
16 on their communities during fiscal year 2018; and

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Bonita Jacobs took office as the 17th president of North Georgia College  
18 & State University prior to its consolidation with Gainesville State College in July 2011,  
19 becoming the institution's first woman president and the second woman to lead one of the  
20 country's six senior military colleges; and

21 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this prestigious institution be recognized.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
23 recognize and commend the University of North Georgia and its president, Dr. Bonita  
24 Jacobs.

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 University of  
27 North Georgia.