

## House Resolution 446

By: Representatives Schofield of the 60<sup>th</sup>, Cannon of the 58<sup>th</sup>, and Dreyer of the 59<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Tom Dunn, South Atlanta High School's 2021-2022 Teacher of the Year; and  
2 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, Tom Dunn is a highly praised law and social justice teacher at South Atlanta  
6 High School, tirelessly directing an extraordinary amount of time and talent toward guiding  
7 students to a brighter future; and

8 WHEREAS, before taking up the mantle of educator, he served for over 25 years as a  
9 criminal defense and civil rights attorney specializing in capital defense, having represented  
10 over 100 capital defendants throughout the entire legal process and ensured their protection  
11 from unjust execution; and

12 WHEREAS, he further served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the  
13 United States Army Reserves, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans  
14 during the Gulf War and earning the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in a combat  
15 environment; and

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16 WHEREAS, a tireless advocate for students and their rights, he recently served on the  
17 Atlanta Public Schools Equity Advisory Committee for both the Board of Education and the  
18 superintendent; and

19 WHEREAS, Tom Dunn has earned distinction for teaching excellence as a result of his  
20 dedication to his students and his profession and has been honored as South Atlanta High  
21 School's 2021-2022 Teacher of the Year; and

22 WHEREAS, in recognition of such remarkable contributions to the education and welfare  
23 of Georgia's students, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to honor the  
24 extraordinary accomplishments and academic achievements of this outstanding educator.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
26 the members of this body commend Tom Dunn, South Atlanta High School's 2021-2022  
27 Teacher of the Year, and express their most sincere best wishes for continued success.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
29 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Tom  
30 Dunn.