

House Resolution 609

By: Representative Jasperse of the 11th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and recognizing Hill City Elementary School; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Hill City Elementary School, located in Jasper, Georgia, serves a diverse
3 economic student body in grades kindergarten through fourth; and

4 WHEREAS, Hill City Elementary School is keenly aware that active student and family
5 engagement is the foundation of improved achievement, and thus has a long history of
6 implementing innovative practices to encourage engagement, including flexible classroom
7 seating, a book vending machine, and an elementary agriculture program; and

8 WHEREAS, Hill City Elementary School has launched new initiatives to better meet the
9 needs of all students, including the economically disadvantaged and those with disabilities,
10 such as implementing a school-wide balanced literacy program, building teacher capacity to
11 deliver math standards, and improving school climate and supporting student well-being; and

12 WHEREAS, Hill City Elementary School is one of two Georgia recipients among 75
13 contenders for Georgia's National ESEA Distinguished Schools award, a national honor
14 awarded by the National Association of ESEA State Program Administrators (NAESPA) to

15 the highest-performing Title I schools in each state, and will receive a \$20,000 grant from
16 the GaDOE Title I, Part A program to support the school's Title I initiatives; and

17 WHEREAS, after extensive research, school visits, and leadership discussions, Hill City
18 Elementary School developed three data-driven initiatives to best serve the students of
19 Hill City Elementary in achieving better performance from special populations in English,
20 language arts, and math; and

21 WHEREAS, Hill City Elementary School prioritizes relationship-building initiatives in an
22 effort to foster a friendly environment, including daily administrative staff greeting as
23 families enter the building and calling each student by name.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body commend and recognize Hill City Elementary School for its many
26 valuable contributions on behalf of the citizens of Georgia and extend best wishes for the
27 future.

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
30 Hill City Elementary School.