

Senate Resolution 579

By: Senators Orrock of the 36th, Butler of the 55th, Tippins of the 37th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and Parent of the 42nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Honors College at Georgia State University on the
2 occasion of its 10th anniversary; and for the purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Honors College was established in 2011 thanks to the unwavering support
4 and creativity of Drs. Mark Becker, Risa Palm, Robert Sattelmeyer, Tim Renick, Lauren
5 Adamson, and more. The college grew out of the Honors Program, long nurtured by Dr.
6 Grant Luckhardt and founded by Dr. Charlotte McClure, and welcomed its first dean, Dr.
7 Larry Berman, in 2012. In 2015, the university consolidated with Georgia Perimeter College,
8 and it now proudly serves students on all six Georgia State campuses; and

9 WHEREAS, the college demonstrates the university's dedication to high-achieving students.
10 Over 3,000 students annually participate in educational and co-educational experiences. The
11 innovative curriculum, accelerated bachelor's and JD degree programs, leadership programs,
12 and the Robinson Honors Experience in Business, as well as opportunities to complete theses
13 and conduct faculty-mentored research, attract students from around the world to Georgia;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, the Honors College, with the generosity of the Rich Foundation, honors its
16 connection to historical Sweet Auburn Avenue, teaching about Alonzo F. Herndon, the

17 Atlanta Life Company, and Herndon's role in the long struggle for civil rights through the
18 Herndon Human Rights Initiative. The college honors longtime leader and student activist
19 Lonnice C. King Jr. The college provides scholarships to honor Mr. Herndon and Mr. King;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, the Honors College serves as an innovation laboratory for Georgia State
22 University with an emphasis on collaborative and deep teaching and learning, enhancing the
23 university's reputation as an industry leader in undergraduate education; and

24 WHEREAS, the Honors College annually hosts the Georgia State Undergraduate Research
25 Conference, which allows students to present their academic research through posters or oral,
26 artistic, or musical displays; and

27 WHEREAS, students have been able to participate in global programs such as The London
28 Experience, which allows students to earn academic credit while participating in internships;
29 and

30 WHEREAS, the Honors College supports students competing for national scholarships and
31 fellowships who have won the Pickering Foreign Affairs, Rangel International Affairs, Payne
32 International Development, and John Lewis Fellowships; the Goldwater Scholarship; and in
33 2020, the University's first Marshall Scholar; and

34 WHEREAS, the Honors College at Georgia State University is uniquely poised to connect
35 students with the greater Atlanta community and is supported by a committed Board of
36 Visitors.

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
38 recognize the Honors College at Georgia State University on the occasion of its 10th
39 anniversary and commend its contributions to educating talented and engaged students to
40 begin a lifetime of achievement.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
42 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Honors
43 College at Georgia State University.