

Senate Resolution 276

By: Senator Jones of the 10th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Thomas Smith; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, a proper quality education for the young people of this state is the single most
3 important objective of the General Assembly; and

4 WHEREAS, nothing is more vital to the future of our state than the education of our young
5 people, and Dr. Thomas Smith exemplifies the selfless dedication that is characteristic of our
6 finest teachers; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Smith is the honorary recipient of the Atlanta Braves Community Leader
8 Service Award, and he has been recognized as both an Outstanding Georgia Educator from
9 the Georgia Senate and an Outstanding Georgia Ambassador from the Georgia Secretary of
10 State; and

11 WHEREAS, with over 30 years of experience, Dr. Smith is a founding teacher of Dr. Martin
12 Luther King Jr. High School, which began in 2001 and where he remains a highly praised
13 educator, tirelessly directing an extraordinary amount of time and talent toward guiding
14 students to a brighter future; and

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15 WHEREAS, Dr. Smith teaches social studies and is an advocate of Dr. King's teachings of
16 nonviolence, educational excellence, and community service; and

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

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
21 recognize and commend Dr. Thomas Smith for his many great contributions on behalf of the
22 youth of Georgia and express their most sincere best wishes for continued success.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
24 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Dr. Thomas Smith.