

House Resolution 2126

By: Representative Smith of the 18th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and recognizing the Atlanta's John Marshall Law School Law Journal; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on April 2, 2026, a group of Atlanta's John Marshall Law School Law Journal
4 students visited the state capitol at the invitation of Representative Tyler Paul Smith; and

5 WHEREAS, Atlanta's John Marshall Law School was founded in 1933 as an independent,
6 freestanding educational institution dedicated to providing a quality educational opportunity
7 to non-traditional or adult learners and to other significantly underserved segments of
8 Georgia's citizenry; and

9 WHEREAS, the John Marshall Law Journal is an annual legal periodical consisting of
10 contributed Articles, Student Notes and Comments, and Legislative Summaries. The featured
11 articles focus on a single, timely area of state, federal, or international law, while Student
12 Notes and Comments cover a wider variety of other jurisprudence. The Legislative
13 Summaries are concise, detailed descriptions of pending or recently enacted Georgia
14 legislation and the effects that said legislation will have on the Georgia community. In the
15 spring, the journal hosts a symposium at which the authors of the published pieces in the
16 Spring issue, panelists, and attendees examine recent and pending legislation, significant

17 court decisions, student commentary, and contributions by preeminent Georgia scholars and
18 practitioners; and

19 WHEREAS, the annual symposium of the John Marshall Law Journal is a Continuing Legal
20 Education (CLE) event as well, for which the law journal applies to the State Bar of Georgia
21 annually for approval of CLE credits to be earned by attendees. As a service to the Georgia
22 Bar and the legal community of the state, the law journal charges no tuition for attendance
23 at the CLE event. Typically, the event is approved for six hours of Georgia CLE, including
24 one hour of ethics; and

25 WHEREAS, the journal is led by an elected Editorial Board guided by a Faculty Advisor.
26 Second, third, and fourth-year students from the full-time and part-time JD Program staff the
27 journal and receive invitations to join based on their academic success and writing skills. The
28 journal provides each member with additional educational opportunities by promoting
29 excellence in research, writing, and analytical skills. Journal staff members work
30 cooperatively with authors to further the journal's mission by creating, editing, and
31 publishing each issue; and

32 WHEREAS, the John Marshall Law Journal Members, Volume XIX, 2025-2026, include the
33 following: Madeline Townsend, Austin Cauffman, David Smith, Boz DelMundo, Jack
34 Landers, Chloe Strickland-Teems, Lee Lundy, Jory Peppelaar, Grace Vigar, and Christopher
35 Peters.

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
37 the members of this body honor and recognize the Atlanta's John Marshall Law School Law
38 Journal upon its recent visit to the state capitol for its many outstanding contributions of legal
39 scholarship as well as extend sincere best wishes for continued success.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
41 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
42 public and the press.