

## House Resolution 297

By: Representative Dreyer of the 59<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Principal Stephanie Stephens Johnson on her outstanding  
2 work to improve the graduation rates at Maynard Holbrook Jackson High School; and for  
3 other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Principal Stephanie Stephens Johnson has long been recognized by the citizens  
5 of this state for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal  
6 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,  
8 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state as evidenced  
9 dramatically by her superlative service with improving the quality of education for students  
10 at Maynard Holbrook Jackson High School (MHJHS); and

11 WHEREAS, during her first year as principal at MHJHS, the graduation rate was 56 percent,  
12 but by expanding the Advanced Placement Program and the International Baccalaureate  
13 Program and other work, the graduation rates began to improve significantly, and now have  
14 increased to 77 percent for the 2015-2016 school year, which is a 21 percent increase in three  
15 school years; and

16 WHEREAS, Principal Johnson's dedication to her students and school is evident with her  
17 award as Georgia Principal of the Year for 2016-2017 and being named as 2017 National  
18 Principal of the Year Finalist by the National Association of Secondary School Principals;  
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Principal Johnson's significant organizational and leadership talents, her  
21 remarkable patience and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her sensitivity to the needs  
22 of the citizens of this state have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and  
23 associates; and

24 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for  
25 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

26 WHEREAS, Principal Stephanie Stephens Johnson has served with honor and distinction as  
27 principal of Maynard Holbrook Jackson High School, and her vision and unyielding  
28 commitment to her students have set the standard for public school education; and

29 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
30 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
32 the members of this body recognize and commend Principal Stephanie Stephens Johnson for  
33 her efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia and  
34 extend the most sincere best wishes for continued success.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
36 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
37 Principal Stephanie Stephens Johnson.