

House Resolution 1235

By: Representative Henderson of the 113<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Shannon Buff; 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, Dr. Shannon Buff has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours  
5 of her time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state, as  
6 evidenced dramatically by her superlative service as principal of Newton High School; and
- 7 WHEREAS, prior to her current role, she has served as a district level director, an assistant  
8 principal, a social studies department chair, and a teacher; and
- 9 WHEREAS, during her distinguished tenure as principal, Newton High School has raised its  
10 graduation rate from 81 to 92.3 percent, elevated its SAT and ACT scores, and secured \$50  
11 million in scholarship offerings for students; and
- 12 WHEREAS, her dedication to service extends beyond the school and into her involvement  
13 with numerous civic and professional organizations, including the Georgia Association of

14 Secondary School Principals, the Kiwanis Club of Covington, the Salvation Army Board of  
15 Advisors, the Newton County Arts Association, and more; and

16 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentlewoman has given inspiration to many through her high  
17 ideals, morals, and deep concern for her fellow citizens, and she possesses the vast wisdom  
18 which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is achieved  
19 through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Buff is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable  
21 reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

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

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
25 the members of this body recognize and commend Dr. Shannon Buff for her years of  
26 efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated service to the youth of Newton County, Georgia,  
27 and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

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 Dr.  
30 Shannon Buff.