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House Resolution 1241

By: Representatives Clark of the 108<sup>th</sup>, McLeod of the 105<sup>th</sup>, McClain of the 100<sup>th</sup>, Park of the 101<sup>st</sup>, Moore of the 95<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Everton Blair; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Everton Blair attended Harvard College, where he majored in applied
- 3 mathematics and served as the youngest-ever president of the Black Students Association,
- 4 then returned home to teach AP calculus at KIPP Atlanta Collegiate High School; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Everton then matriculated to receive his master's degree in policy, organization,
- 6 and leadership studies from Stanford University; and
- 7 WHEREAS, after graduating, he served as a fellow in President Obama's White House
- 8 Initiative on Educational Excellence and later became a director at the Broad Foundation;
- 9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, now he serves as a director of programs at UnboundEd and became the first
- openly gay and youngest-ever representative to serve on the Gwinnett County Board of
- 12 Education, where he has focused on building bipartisan support around investing in teachers,
- increasing equity in student outcomes, and uplifting student voices; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
- 15 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community, as evidenced by his
- 16 contributions in the field of education; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Everton Blair's significant organizational and leadership talents, remarkable
- patience and diplomacy, keen sense of vision, and sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of
- 19 his community have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates;
- 20 and
- 21 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
- 22 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

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23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this

- 24 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.
- 25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 26 the members of this body recognize and commend Everton Blair's contributions to education
- 27 and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued health, happiness, and success.
- 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
- 30 Everton Blair.