

House Resolution 1380

By: Representatives Jasperse of the 11th, Ridley of the 6th, and Meadows of the 5th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Bagley Middle School for being recognized as a Georgia
2 Lighthouse School to Watch; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Georgia Lighthouse Schools to Watch program seeks to identify
4 high-performing middle schools throughout the State of Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, Georgia is one of the first three states in the nation to qualify to become a part
6 of the prestigious National Forum Schools to Watch® program; and

7 WHEREAS, schools across the United States that are committed to a journey of excellence
8 are identified based on their levels of implementation of the four domains of the program;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, these four domains are as follows: academic excellence, developmental
11 responsiveness, social equity, and organizational structures and processes; and

12 WHEREAS, academic excellence refers to those schools which excel in academics and
13 which produce students who have been challenged to use their minds to full capacity; and

14 WHEREAS, developmental responsiveness refers to those schools that are sensitive to the
15 unique developmental challenges of early adolescence; and

16 WHEREAS, social equity refers to those schools that are socially equitable, democratic, and
17 fair, and which provide every student with high-quality teachers, resources, learning
18 opportunities, and supports, while keeping positive options open for all students; and

19 WHEREAS, organizational structures and processes refers to those schools which establish
20 norms, structures, and organizational arrangements in order to support and sustain their
21 trajectory toward excellence; and

22 WHEREAS, there are only 18 schools throughout the entire State of Georgia that have
23 earned the rare distinction of being a part of this program; and

24 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that Bagley Middle School be appropriately
25 recognized for its effort and excellence in its journey to serve as a model and mentor for
26 other schools within the State of Georgia.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body recognize and commend Bagley Middle School for being
29 recognized as a Georgia Lighthouse School to Watch.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
32 Bagley Middle School.