

House Resolution 202

By: Representatives Mainor of the 56th, Glanton of the 75th, Lim of the 99th, Evans of the 83rd,
and Mallow of the 163rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Georgia General Assembly to adopt Wesley International Academy; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, without inclusive and equitable quality education and lifelong opportunities for
4 all, countries will not succeed in achieving gender equality and breaking the cycle of poverty
5 that is leaving millions of children, youth, and adults behind; and

6 WHEREAS, today, 258 million children and youth still do not attend school, 617 million
7 children and adolescents cannot read and do basic math, less than 40 percent of girls in
8 sub-Saharan Africa complete lower secondary school, and approximately four million
9 children and youth refugees are out of school; and

10 WHEREAS, Wesley International Academy is an Atlanta public charter school that was
11 founded in 2006 to serve students of diverse backgrounds throughout metropolitan Atlanta,
12 and it currently serves over 750 students from kindergarten through eighth grade; and

13 WHEREAS, an accredited International Baccalaureate World Programme School, Wesley
14 International Academy's mission is to develop discipline of learning and a lifelong desire for
15 knowledge in students through a world class International Baccalaureate education; and

16 WHEREAS, the school's vision is to develop students who are global citizens and are
17 academically competitive by international standards of excellence; and

18 WHEREAS, Wesley International Academy has the unique distinction of educating students
19 daily in Mandarin Chinese and is well-known and respected throughout the State of Georgia
20 for its commitment to students' language proficiency, cultural knowledge, and global
21 perspective; and

22 WHEREAS, elected leaders throughout Georgia should be encouraged to participate in
23 global leadership education activities with schools throughout Georgia either in person or
24 digital online meeting spaces; and

25 WHEREAS, by adopting Wesley International Academy, the Georgia General Assembly will
26 raise awareness of the importance of languages in education; raise awareness of the lack of
27 education opportunities in less developed countries; create awareness that elected officials
28 are human, reachable, and caring; and create dialogue of progressive education philosophy
29 to help Georgia students compete in the global marketplace.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
31 the members of this body urge the Georgia General Assembly to adopt Wesley International
32 Academy to enhance the quality of education in the State of Georgia.

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