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House Resolution 606

By: Representatives Mughal of the 105<sup>th</sup>, McClain of the 109<sup>th</sup>, Marin of the 96<sup>th</sup>, Romman of the 97<sup>th</sup>, Park of the 107<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the work of Georgia Gwinnett College (GGC) in educating and preparing its
- 2 students for success in their future careers; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, GGC opened its doors in 2006 as the first four-year college founded in Georgia
- 4 in more than 100 years and the first four-year public college created in the United States in
- 5 the 21st century; and
- 6 WHEREAS, GGC's innovative practices, caring culture, and extremely affordable tuition are
- 7 changing the game in higher education and changing the future for students at all levels, of
- 8 all ages, and from all walks of life; and
- 9 WHEREAS, GGC's committed faculty and staff provide students with the support and tools
- 10 they need to be successful in college and in life; and
- 11 WHEREAS, GGC offers a high-quality attentive education for a lot less money; and
- 12 WHEREAS, GGC opens the door to four-year degrees for more people, including those who
- 13 might have never considered college; and

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14 WHEREAS, GGC's mission is to be a premier 21st Century Liberal Arts College where

- 15 learning takes place continuously in and beyond the confines of the traditional classroom via
- 16 innovative technologies and teaching methods; and
- 17 WHEREAS, GGC's mission is to provide access to targeted baccalaureate and associate-level
- degrees that meet the economic development needs of the growing and diverse population
- 19 of the northeast Atlanta metropolitan region; and
- 20 WHEREAS, GGC's four pillars are scholarship, leadership, service, and creativity; and
- 21 WHEREAS, GGC is the most diverse regional college in the Southeast; and
- WHEREAS, GGC has won numerous NAIA Championships in baseball, softball, men's and
- women's soccer, and men's and women's tennis; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Dr. Jann Joseph, the current president of GGC, has continued making GGC an
- 25 excellent place for higher education; and
- 26 WHEREAS, Dr. Joseph became the president of GGC in 2019; and
- 27 WHEREAS, her teaching, research, and administrative experience include positions at Grand
- Valley State University in Allendale, Michigan, at Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti,
- 29 and Indiana University South Bend, where she served as executive vice chancellor and
- 30 interim chancellor; and
- 31 WHEREAS, Dr. Joseph currently serves as chair of the University System of Georgia
- 32 Council on General Education; and

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33 WHEREAS, Dr. Joseph also serves on the boards of Atlanta Regional Council for Higher

- 34 Education, Gwinnett County Chamber of Commerce, Georgia Hispanic Chamber, Gwinnett
- 35 Clean and Beautiful, Rainbow Village, Rowen Foundation, and The Water Tower at
- 36 Gwinnett.
- 37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 38 the members of this body honor the work of Georgia Gwinnett College and extend best
- 39 wishes for continued success.
- 40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 41 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
- 42 Georgia Gwinnett College.