

Senate Resolution 1142

By: Senators Jordan of the 6th and Williams of the 39th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Joshua Sailers, the 2018 Georgia Economics Teacher of the
2 Year; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Joshua Sailers is a twelfth grade teacher and has been teaching advanced
4 placement macro and micro economics at Woodstock High School for 12 years – his entire
5 teaching career; and

6 WHEREAS, Joshua holds a bachelor of arts degree in history and a master's degree in
7 education, both from the University of Georgia; and

8 WHEREAS, he built the AP courses in macro and micro economics at Woodstock High
9 School, in 2008 and 2009 respectively, which had never been offered to students before; and

10 WHEREAS, thanks to Joshua's leadership and dedication, the program grew to capacity; and

11 WHEREAS, he is one of only two teachers in Cherokee County who teaches both macro and
12 micro economics AP classes; and

13 WHEREAS, in 2016, after discovering that only 27 percent of economic majors in colleges
14 and universities are women, Joshua started "Sophie's World: Women in Economics," which
15 is a club that now boasts over 50 members; and

16 WHEREAS, Joshua is passionate about teaching and strives to keep his content fresh and his
17 students engaged every day by using real world examples to demonstrate to his students how
18 economic principles play a role in their lives; and

19 WHEREAS, he participates in professional development to further his knowledge and
20 teaching skills; and

21 WHEREAS, Joshua's teaching skills are so effective that he boasts a 95 percent pass rate on
22 both AP micro and AP macro exams each year; and

23 WHEREAS, he has led professional development sessions to train AP teachers and was
24 named an AP Master Teacher by the Cherokee County School Board; and

25 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
26 exemplary educator be further recognized.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
28 commend Joshua Sailors of Woodstock High School, the 2018 Georgia Economics Teacher
29 of the Year, for his passion for teaching, his innovation in the classroom, his leadership as
30 a role model, and his dedication to the education of students at his school and throughout the
31 State of Georgia as a whole.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
33 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Joshua Sailors.