

Senate Resolution 178

By: Senator Tippins of the 37th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and recognizing Marietta City Schools for being named Georgia Charter System
2 Innovator of the Year; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in 2016, Lieutenant Governor Casey Cagle named Marietta City Schools as the
4 Charter System Innovator of the Year; and

5 WHEREAS, Marietta City Schools actively remove barriers to success so that every student
6 cannot only thrive, but graduate college and career ready; and

7 WHEREAS, the Innovation Award recognizes the system that demonstrates instructional
8 innovations at the classroom, school house, or system-wide level with a focus on unique
9 programs that increase student interest and drive achievement; and

10 WHEREAS, chosen for their Graduate Marietta Student Success Center, Marietta City
11 Schools created this one-of-a-kind program at Marietta High School; and

12 WHEREAS, they have incorporated wrap-around services for students and families, such as
13 educational classes for parents, college and career assistance for students, housing assistance,
14 food and clothing pantries, along with emotional health therapy both in and out of school;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, in partnership with 37 community organizations, the Graduate Marietta Student
17 Success Center is providing its students post-secondary preparation, virtual learning labs,
18 health and wellness services, career aptitude tools for stakeholders, job assistance for
19 students and parents, mentoring, tutoring, probation services, DFACS investigation and case
20 management, technology support at school, and home and a diversion program offsetting out
21 of school suspension.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
23 honor and recognize Marietta City Schools for being awarded the title of 2016 Charter
24 System Innovator of the Year and for its dedicated service to the community and state.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
26 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Marietta City
27 Schools.