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Senate Resolution 817

By: Senator Crane of the 28th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Central Educational Center as the 2013 College and Career Academy of the
- 2 Year; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Central Educational Center's purpose is to provide learners from high school
- 4 through adulthood with a seamless education for life; and
- 5 WHEREAS, in the late 1990s, the community of Coweta redesigned the high school
- 6 experience and replaced it with an innovative educational opportunity, one that would meet
- 7 the demands of Coweta's economy by seamlessly blending secondary and postsecondary
- 8 education and training with business and industry needs; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Central Educational Center is Georgia's first College and Career Academy and
- 10 opened in August, 2000; it is a joint venture partnership between Coweta County Schools,
- 11 West Georgia Technical College, and business and industry; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Central Educational Center serves approximately one out of every two Coweta
- 13 County high school students by the time they graduate from high school; and in 2012, it
- served 1,531 high school students, with 380 interns and apprentices working in 225 employer
- sites in the county and region, and over 200 students were dual enrolled in West Georgia
- 16 Technical College; and
- 17 WHEREAS, graduates of this institution successfully advance careers at Turner
- 18 Broadcasting, NASA engineering, and many other companies; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Central Educational Center understands its role as an economic engine for the
- 20 workforce and works dutifully to ensure the success of each student.

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21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body

- 22 join in recognizing and commending Central Educational Center for preparing students to
- 23 succeed in their careers and contribute to economic growth and prosperity in Coweta County.
- 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 25 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mark Whitlock, CEO of Central
- 26 Educational Center.