

Senate Resolution 688

By: Senators Merritt of the 9th, Islam Parkes of the 7th, Rhett of the 33rd, Esteves of the 6th, Mallow of the 2nd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Jenita Shorter for her three decades of outstanding service
2 in education; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Georgia State Senate takes great pride in recognizing individuals whose
4 contributions have significantly impacted the state's educational landscape; and

5 WHEREAS, it is with immense honor and deep appreciation that we acknowledge Ms. Jenita
6 Shorter for her remarkable 30 year-long career as an inspiring life science educator; and

7 WHEREAS, Ms. Shorter's unwavering commitment to academic excellence has left an
8 indelible mark on the lives of countless students at the elementary and middle school levels,
9 reflecting her passion for nurturing young minds; and

10 WHEREAS, during her exemplary career, she served for 19 years at J.P. McConnell Middle
11 School as well as for three years at Trickum Middle School; and

12 WHEREAS, her educational leadership has extended beyond traditional classrooms, as
13 evidenced by her guidance of more than 600 middle school students through enriching
14 hands-on life science experiences at Jekyll Island 4-H Programs; and

15 WHEREAS, her commitment to the cultural and physical development of students is
16 exemplified through her role as a step team coach, showcasing a dedication to fostering a
17 holistic educational environment; and

18 WHEREAS, the ripple effect of Ms. Shorter's influence is evident in the accomplishments
19 of her own children, with her son excelling as an emergency medicine physician and her
20 daughter pursuing a PhD in biomedical engineering research; and

21 WHEREAS, Ms. Shorter's civic engagement and philanthropic spirit are exemplary, actively
22 participating in events such as adopt-the-road, monetary and clothes donations, relay for life,
23 and serving as co-graduate advisor for Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; and

24 WHEREAS, her multifaceted involvement in various capacities underscores her dynamic
25 character, contributing not only to the academic sphere but also to the broader community
26 welfare.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
28 recognize and commend Ms. Jenita Shorter for her three decades of tireless dedication to the
29 noble profession of teaching as well as extend best wishes for future health and happiness.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
31 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Ms. Jenita Shorter.