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Whereas, pursuant to the No Child Left Behind Act, signed into law in 2001, schools must achieve standards of Adequate Yearly Progress, which include all demographic groups;

Whereas, Gary Community School Corporation made AYP at the district level for the first time since the standard had been set by the federal government;

Whereas, Gary Community School Corporation's achievement is especially worthy of praise because of the serious challenges facing Gary schools including the high concentration of students with disabilities;

Whereas, Gary Community School Corporation's success was the result of the implementation of a five-year strategic plan encompassing customized instructional and management methods and tools;

Whereas, this plan helped teachers and administrators achieve greater effectiveness in the classroom assuring that all students attain high academic achievement, safe and orderly learning environment, effective and efficient

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operations and recruitment and retention of highly qualified teachers, administrators and staff;

Whereas, Gary Community School Corporation's efforts have focused largely on the elementary level where the greatest improvements have been seen;

Whereas, Gary Community School Corporation's strategy of laying a solid foundation promises greater improvement and success in the future;

Whereas, the U.S. Department of Education was so impressed by the strides made in Gary that officials recently visited schools there to hear from administrators and students; and

Whereas, the students, parents, teachers, and administrators of Gary Community School Corporation should be commended for their efforts in making strides towards becoming a more highly competitive, attractive and academically reputable school district; Therefore:

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

1           SECTION 1. The Indiana State Senate hereby recognizes the  
2 academic achievements of Gary Community School Corporation for the  
3 school year 2006-07.

4           SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is directed to transmit a  
5 copy of this resolution to Gary School Board of Trustees and  
6 Superintendent Dr. Mary Steele-Agee.

