

House Resolution 1331

By: Representatives Mobley of the 69th, Porter of the 143rd, Ashe of the 46th, Heckstall of the 55th, Benfield of the 67th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Agnes Scott College; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Agnes Scott College is a highly selective, independent national liberal arts
3 college for women that encourages students to become fluent across disciplines, across
4 continents, and across centuries; and
- 5 WHEREAS, since its founding in 1889, Agnes Scott College has maintained its founders'
6 mission of academic excellence and has remained among the finest institutions in the
7 country; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Agnes Scott College was the first college or university accredited in Georgia
9 and was the second institution to receive a charter for a Phi Beta Kappa chapter; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Agnes Scott's alumnae include Georgia's first Rhodes Scholar and numerous
11 Fulbright, Goldwater, and Truman Scholars. Other outstanding alumnae are the first woman
12 president of the American Academy of Pediatrics, the first woman Chief Justice of the
13 Supreme Court of South Carolina, the first woman ordained in the Presbyterian Church in
14 the United States, and the first woman to chair the federal Commodity Futures Trading
15 Commission; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Agnes Scott's endowment remains first in Georgia and among the top 15
17 colleges and universities in the United States for dollars per student; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Agnes Scott's student population has grown by 50 percent in six years, and its
19 faculty has grown by 25 percent in that time frame; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Agnes Scott College is involved in a \$100 million building program which
21 includes an expanded and renovated library, a new campus center, an expanded and

1 renovated dining hall, a new science building, an expanded and renovated observatory, new
2 parking facilities and public safety office, and an overall landscaping program; and

3 WHEREAS, while 55 percent of Agnes Scott students are Georgia residents, the college's
4 students also represent 36 other states, the District of Columbia, the U. S. Virgin Islands, and
5 29 countries; and

6 WHEREAS, Agnes Scott offers a bachelor of arts degree in 28 majors, a master of arts in
7 teaching secondary English, a post-baccalaureate premedical program, a professional
8 program in teacher education and dual degree programs with Washington University and
9 Georgia Institute of Technology; and

10 WHEREAS, 100 percent of Agnes Scott College's full-time regular faculty hold a Ph.D. or
11 the terminal degree in their field of study, and Agnes Scott maintains a student-faculty ratio
12 of ten to one; and

13 WHEREAS, Agnes Scott provides study abroad opportunities with more than 110
14 institutions in 40 countries through the International Student Exchange Program; and

15 WHEREAS, Agnes Scott professors continue to receive grants from top-notch granting
16 agencies such as the National Science Foundation, the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and
17 the Kauffman Foundation.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
19 the members of this body recognize and heartily commend the faculty, administration,
20 alumnae, and students of Agnes Scott College for their successful efforts to build such a fine
21 institution of academic excellence.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
23 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Agnes Scott College.