

House Resolution 1714

By: Representatives Jackson of the 148th and Bordeaux of the 151st

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the work and achievements of Gwendolyn P. Goodman; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Gwendolyn P. Goodman, who retired as deputy superintendent of schools
3 November 1, 1991, has tirelessly served the students of the Savannah-Chatham County
4 Public School system as a teacher and an administrator for the past 34 years; and

5 WHEREAS, in recognition of her dedication and commitment as a science teacher at
6 Johnson High School, Gwen Goodman was named the school's STAR teacher twice, and the
7 First Congressional District Star teacher in 1972 leading up to her nomination to the Georgia
8 Teacher Hall of Fame in 1973; and

9 WHEREAS, Gwen Goodman moved up the administrative ranks of Johnson High serving
10 as assistant principal for two years before being named the principal in 1997, a post she held
11 for 12 years; and

12 WHEREAS, her leadership and service to Johnson High School prepared her for the roles
13 of executive director of school services, deputy superintendent of the division of schools,
14 and interim superintendent; and

15 WHEREAS, even after retirement, Gwen Goodman continued to serve the children of
16 Chatham County and the State of Georgia as a part-time consultant to the board of education
17 and as a member of the State Board of Technical and Adult Education, a post she was
18 appointed to by Governor Zell Miller; and

19 WHEREAS, Mrs. Goodman holds a specialist degree in education from Georgia Southern
20 University, a master's degree from South Carolina State College, and an undergraduate
21 degree in science with a minor in mathematics from Savannah State College; and

1 WHEREAS, her dedication to her students extends to the community at-large as evidenced
2 by her membership in St. Anthony's Church, her ten years of public service as a
3 councilwoman for the Second Aldermanic Seat for the City of Savannah, her receipt of the
4 1990 Community Service Award from Savannah State College, and as a frequent speaker for
5 religious and civic gatherings.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
7 the members of this body commend Gwendolyn P. Goodman for her many achievements and
8 contributions to the welfare of her community and this state and endorse the naming of the
9 Gwen Goodman Hall at Savannah Technical College on April 25, 2002.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
11 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Gwendolyn P. Goodman.