

## House Resolution 478

By: Representatives Brooks of the 54<sup>th</sup>, Holmes of the 53<sup>rd</sup>, Seay of the 93<sup>rd</sup>, Jordan of the 96<sup>th</sup>, Stanley of the 49<sup>th</sup> and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring Mrs. Mary Sallie Clark Hughes; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mary Sallie Clark Hughes was born on December 8, 1913, in Oglethorpe  
3 County, Georgia, to Annie and West Clark, who both died when she was an infant; and
- 4 WHEREAS, when she came of age, she moved to Atlanta where she, with great  
5 determination, continued her education at Booker T. Washington School while working full  
6 time; and
- 7 WHEREAS, when she was over 50 years of age, she graduated as valedictorian of her class;  
8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, following a deep desire to help others, she enrolled in the Bennett School of  
10 Nursing in Atlanta, from which she graduated with outstanding honors; and
- 11 WHEREAS, she has been a practicing registered licensed practical nurse since 1964 and  
12 continues to maintain a current license at the age of 87 years so she is always prepared to  
13 render service when needed; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hughes, affectionately known as "Mother Hughes," has been an active  
15 member of the Mt. Zion Second Baptist Church since 1942; and
- 16 WHEREAS, for more than 60 years she has on her own initiative distributed boxes of  
17 clothing to the homeless and needy in our state; and
- 18 WHEREAS, each year for decades, she has marked the celebration of her birthday by  
19 distributing one box of clothing for each year of her life; and

1 WHEREAS, people all over the state who have learned of her dedicated work send clothing  
2 donations in support of her one-woman missionary efforts; and

3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hughes is the 1997-1998 recipient of the WXIA-11 Alive television  
4 station community service award for her volunteer services.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
6 the members of this body honor and commend the remarkable achievements and excellent  
7 contributions of Mrs. Mary Sallie Clark Hughes and recognize her as an outstanding citizen  
8 of the State of Georgia.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
10 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Mary Hughes.