

House Resolution 411

By: Representatives Orrock of the 51st, and Brooks of the 47th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Kelvin Lynn Cothren; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Kelvin Lynn Cothren is well known and highly respected as the very trusted
3 Special Assistant to Mrs. Coretta Scott King, founder of the King Center in Atlanta, Georgia,
4 where his many talents and tremendous energy make him an invaluable coordinator; and

5 WHEREAS, Lynn was born and reared in Fayetteville, Tennessee, and came to Atlanta to
6 pursue his education and quickly discovered much about himself, his calling, and his
7 commitment to human rights, public awareness, and the resolution of inequities; and

8 WHEREAS, since 1982 he has been intimately involved in the King Center and has ably
9 facilitated operations of the Founder's Office, coordinated King Week, and directed the
10 complex arrangements for numerous national visitors and international dignitaries; and

11 WHEREAS, he has been a vital participant and a marvelous leader in local, state, regional,
12 and national organizations that have promoted major initiatives for social and political
13 change, including the American Civil Liberties Union, National Organization for Women,
14 Human Rights Campaign, Georgia Civil Rights Coalition, Atlanta Executive Network,
15 Fellowship for Reconciliation, and the Atlanta Lambda Center; and

16 WHEREAS, he has been a board member, chairman, and lead manager of the Fund for
17 Southern Communities supporting grass roots organizations in Georgia and North and South
18 Carolina that address community injustices directly, effectively, and locally.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 the members of this body recognize and commend Kelvin Lynn Cothren for his commitment
21 to social change and his exemplary leadership and salute him on his 40th birthday.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Kelvin Lynn Cothren.