

House Resolution 639

By: Representatives Birdsong of the 104th, Lucas of the 105th, Parham of the 94th, and Jenkins of the 93rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Tammy Seabolt Brittain; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Tammy Seabolt Brittain is well known and highly respected as the very capable
3 executive director of Keep Jones Beautiful Commission where her exceptional talents,
4 vision, energy, and commitment have greatly improved the quality of life for her fellow
5 citizens and earned Keep Jones Beautiful first place in the Keep Georgia Beautiful 2003
6 Awards Program that is administered by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs; and

7 WHEREAS, she was born and raised in Jones County, graduated from Georgia College in
8 special education and has been a wonderful classroom teacher, wife, and loving mother who
9 followed Carol Brittain, her mother-in-law, into community service with the agency; and

10 WHEREAS, a long-term goal for Tammy has been to educate and involve as many citizens
11 of Gray, Georgia, and Jones County as she can in the cleanup of the community and she has
12 been instrumental in initiating revitalization efforts in downtown Gray and beautification
13 projects at government buildings, along the roadways, and throughout the county; and

14 WHEREAS, she has been tremendously successful in securing the funding for educational
15 programs regarding proper waste handling by businesses and the general citizenry, and the
16 Scrap Tire Enforcement/Education program is in its fourth year and has received great
17 attention and support within the community and throughout the state as a success story; and

18 WHEREAS, she has educated local Jones County officials concerning recurring problems
19 with litter, illegal dumping, improper waste disposal, and property violations and she
20 successfully lobbied for the hiring of a full-time environmental code enforcement officer and
21 for the comprehensive revision of the county government's solid waste ordinances; and

22 WHEREAS, she was instrumental in achieving the renovation of the old train depot in Gray,
23 Georgia, and she gathered volunteers to donate time and supplies to preserve this historic

1 landmark, obtained the support and assistance of the Norfolk Southern Railroad, Georgia
2 Power, and Gray Concrete, and got the Gray Garden Club to create a garden spot; and

3 WHEREAS, news of the wonderful success she has accomplished at the old Gray depot
4 prompted Macon artist Joy Hulgur to complete a lovely pen and ink rendering of the depot
5 and garden spot that will increase public awareness of this beautification project; and

6 WHEREAS, during her tenure, Tammy has applied for and received various grants totaling
7 approximately \$150,000 for community improvement projects around Gray and Jones
8 County, and she has created permanent partnerships with the Gray Garden Club, Town and
9 County Garden Club, Jones County/Gray Chamber of Commerce, Gray Jaycees, Gray Police
10 Department, Kiwanis Club, Boy Scouts, local churches, Jones County Farm Bureau, the
11 Sheriff's department, and local schools; and

12 WHEREAS, in an effort to increase public awareness of Keep Jones Beautiful, she has
13 participated in the Recycle Rangers Puppet Show and Litter Round Up, made Enviroscene
14 presentations to area youths, initiated the Hometown Hero Recognition program, Save Trees
15 Recycle Contest, and the Recycled Wreath Contest, created the Litter Bug Mascot, and
16 promoted the Songs and Sounds of the Season concert and Santa's Garden at Christmas; and

17 WHEREAS, during the six years Tammy Brittain has served as executive director of Keep
18 Jones Beautiful Commission she has masterfully reached out to engage scout organizations,
19 churches, garden clubs, civic groups, local schools, volunteers, and government employees
20 and officials in the beautification of Jones County and the outstanding achievements and
21 leadership of this marvelously talented lady deserve recognition and high praise.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body recognize and commend Tammy Seabolt Brittain for her superb
24 management of Keep Jones Beautiful and her tremendous success in this public service.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Tammy Seabolt Brittain.