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House Resolution 806

By: Representative Howell of the 92<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Jo Anne Phinazee for being selected Woman of the Year; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Jo Anne Phinazee, a veteran Bell South employee and an official with the
- 4 Communications Workers of America local, has been named by the Iris Charter Chapter of
- 5 the American Business Women's Association (ABWA) as the 2003 Woman of the Year; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Ms. Phinazee, who has been active with the local ABWA chapter for over 13
- 7 years, is the first African American woman to receive that honor; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she served as secretary to the local ABWA chapter in 2000 and 2001 and was
- 9 the chapter's treasurer in 2002 and 2003, and she was an active member of the May Fling
- 10 committee and worked with scholarship programs; and
- 11 WHEREAS, she has long been involved with the ABWA's local literacy volunteers at
- 12 Griffin Technical College and was a volunteer tutor in the school's literacy program even
- 13 before she joined the ABWA; and
- 14 WHEREAS, she is very active with her church, Rising Star Baptist Church, where she serves
- as secretary and Courtesy Guild member, and she is a longtime member of the local NAACP,
- where she is active in voter registration; and
- 17 WHEREAS, she has raised three children, Ramona Evans, Spencer Frazier, and Benjamin
- 18 Phinazee.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 20 the members of this body commend Jo Anne Phinazee for being selected Woman of the
- 21 Year.

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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 Jo Anne Phinazee.