

## House Resolution 863

By: Representatives Mangham of the 62<sup>nd</sup>, Thomas of the 43<sup>rd</sup>, Post 1, Stephenson of the 60<sup>th</sup>, Post 1, Mobley of the 58<sup>th</sup>, Mitchell of the 61<sup>st</sup>, Post 3, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia Africa Society of The National Summit on Africa, its members,  
2 member organizations, and NSA related providers; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Georgia Africa Society is a direct outgrowth of The National Summit on  
4 Africa which has as its mission to educate all Americans about Africa and its people, to build  
5 bridges of understanding and partnership, and to facilitate Africa's social development and  
6 political transition to more open and democratic societies; and

7 WHEREAS, this national nonprofit, nonpartisan, and diverse organization focuses on U.S.-  
8 African relations in the 21st century, advocates on behalf of Africa, and provides a forum for  
9 building knowledge about the 54 distinct nations of Africa with their extraordinary richness,  
10 diversity, and uniqueness; and

11 WHEREAS, this organization has established highly successful programs in such areas as  
12 education, information and culture, legislative advocacy and constituency mobilization and  
13 research, analysis and dissemination, has sponsored policy forums and seminars on Africa,  
14 and has provided a speaker's forum featuring African leaders; and

15 WHEREAS, the National Summit on Africa hosted the first in a series of regional  
16 conferences in 1998 and the Georgia delegation represented the state at the national  
17 conference in Washington, D.C., in May 2000 which set forth "The National Policy Plan of  
18 Action."

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
20 the members of this body commend the Georgia Africa Society of The National Summit on  
21 Africa, its members, member organizations, and GAS/NSA related providers for their efforts  
22 to promote understanding of and partnership with the nations of Africa and recognize  
23 February 16 annually henceforth as "Georgia Africa Society of The National Summit on  
24 Africa Recognition Day in Georgia."

- 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 the Georgia Africa Society
- 3 of The National Summit on Africa.