

House Resolution 1062

By: Representative Drenner of the 57th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Zina Age and Aniz, Inc., for their service to the community;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, although Aniz, Inc., achieved nonprofit corporate status in 1996, the dedication
4 of its founder and executive director, Zina Age, to her community began much earlier; and

5 WHEREAS, Aniz, Inc., was born out of Ms. Age's vision of her community's unrecognized
6 need for social and humanitarian support services directed at HIV infected and affected
7 African American children; and

8 WHEREAS, Aniz, Inc., whose mission is "Planting powerful seeds of healing and growth
9 in communities of color by empowering children and adults through therapeutic intervention,
10 prevention and education to mobilize global change," hopes to achieve that goal by providing
11 psychosocial assessments, substance abuse counseling, mental health counseling, and HIV
12 prevention and risk reduction education; and

13 WHEREAS, Ms. Zina Age's research of organizations serving metropolitan Atlanta proved
14 the absence of existing organizations capable of providing relief to the unmet needs of these
15 unique and remarkable children; and

16 WHEREAS, Zina Age's compassionate efforts to offer relief to children and a community
17 in need led to the creation of the children's program "We Want To Know," which focuses
18 its attention on activities that promote prevention and risk reduction education aimed at
19 reducing HIV transmission among children 16 and under; and

20 WHEREAS, through its nonprofit status and limited private donations, Aniz, Inc., has done
21 a miraculous job by expanding its services to children and adults in Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb,
22 Fulton, and Gwinnett counties.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 this body recognizes and commends the shining work and invaluable service of Ms. Zina
3 Age and Aniz, Inc., in their efforts to better metropolitan Atlanta communities.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Zina Age.