

## House Resolution 1537

By: Representatives Mangham of the 62<sup>nd</sup>, Mobley of the 58<sup>th</sup>, Beasley-Teague of the 48<sup>th</sup>, Post 2, Stephenson of the 60<sup>th</sup>, Post 1, Thomas of the 43<sup>rd</sup>, Post 1, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Africa Society of The National Summit on Africa, its Georgia members,  
2 member organizations, and NSA related providers and recognizing March 12 annually  
3 henceforth as "African Society of The National Summit on Africa Recognition Day in  
4 Georgia"; and for other purposes.

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

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

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

17 WHEREAS, the Georgia Africa Society hosted the first in a series of regional conferences  
18 in 1998 and represented the state at the national conference in Washington, D.C., in May  
19 2002 which set forth "The National Policy Plan of Action."

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
21 the members of this body commend the Africa Society of The National Summit on Africa,  
22 its Georgia members, member organizations, and GSA/NSA related providers for their  
23 efforts to promote understanding of and partnership with the nations of Africa and recognize

1 March 12 annually henceforth as "African Society of The National Summit on Africa  
2 Recognition Day in Georgia."

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
4 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Africa Society  
5 of The National Summit on Africa.