

House Resolution 425

By: Representative Benfield of the 85th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring Ann Brown and the Belvedere Civic Club; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, located in the heart of DeKalb County, Georgia, Belvedere Park is a vibrant
3 community with an extraordinary spirit of civic pride which has united its residents in their
4 efforts to build a stronger and safer neighborhood; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the Belvedere Civic Club, one of DeKalb County's oldest neighborhood groups,
6 has worked continuously since 1956 toward the goal of making Belvedere Park a safer and
7 cleaner environment for each of its residents to enjoy; and
- 8 WHEREAS, this organization also provides a forum for residents to express their concerns
9 to local government officials and their fellow neighbors; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Ms. Ann Brown was elected to serve as president of the Belvedere Civic Club
11 in 2002, and, since that time, she has helped to increase membership, organize committees
12 and hold them accountable for reaching specific goals, and established a productive
13 partnership with elected officials and the police department; and
- 14 WHEREAS, through the hard work and determination of the citizens of Belvedere Park, in
15 cooperation with local law enforcement officials, drug houses and other undesirable
16 residences and businesses in the area, including the strip club known as Jazzy T's, were
17 identified and eliminated; and
- 18 WHEREAS, their advocacy saved the 24 Belvedere bus route, which MARTA had proposed
19 eliminating; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the achievements of the Belvedere Civic Club demonstrate the profound impact
21 that neighborhood organizations can make toward promoting, maintaining, and enhancing
22 the quality of life in their communities.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body join in honoring the exemplary work of the Belvedere Civic Club
3 and its outstanding president, Ms. Ann Brown, and extend their sincere best wishes for this
4 organization's continued growth and success.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
6 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Ann Brown, president
7 of the Belvedere Civic Club.