

## House Resolution 848

By: Representatives Smyre of the 132<sup>nd</sup>, Hugley of the 133<sup>rd</sup>, Buckner of the 130<sup>th</sup>, Smith of the 131<sup>st</sup>, and Smith of the 129<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mrs. Charlotte Hawkins Frazier; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, having served on Georgia's National Register Review Board and Columbus's  
3 Board of Historic and Architectural Review and held the position of Chairman of the Georgia  
4 African-American Heritage Preservation Network, Mrs. Charlotte Hawkins Frazier is known  
5 both locally and statewide for her passion and dedication to historical preservation; and
- 6 WHEREAS, her determination has raised awareness of and helped to develop connections  
7 between sites associated with the "Chitlin Circuit," a series of theaters where African  
8 American performers played during the first half of the twentieth century; and
- 9 WHEREAS, she has led the way for the restoration of many properties of historical and  
10 architectural significance in Columbus's African American community, including the  
11 William H. Spencer House, the "Ma" Rainey House, and the Liberty Theatre; and
- 12 WHEREAS, she also promoted "Ma" Rainey's national recognition through the issuance of  
13 her stamp; and
- 14 WHEREAS, on November 18, 2004, Mrs. Frazier was presented with the Historic Columbus  
15 Foundation's most prestigious honor, the Sarah Turner Butler Heritage Award.
- 16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
17 the members of this body join in recognizing Mrs. Charlotte Hawkins Frazier and commend  
18 her outstanding contributions to the preservation of historic sites within the Columbus  
19 community and the State of Georgia.
- 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
21 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Charlotte Hawkins  
22 Frazier.