

House Resolution 1622

By: Representative Reece of the 11th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Ms. Mildred Pettett; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Ms. Mildred Pettett was born in the hills of Tennessee in the early years of the
3 twentieth century, the second child in a family of nine children; she was ten-years-old when
4 the Great Depression devastated the country, and her hard-working parents battled the hard
5 economic times to ensure that their children had the best opportunities possible; and

6 WHEREAS, after growing to maturity in Trion, Georgia, Ms. Pettett married a fine man and
7 four daughters were born of the union, and with her husband's support she was able to further
8 her education, attending business school and studying mathematics, accounting, and
9 chemistry; and

10 WHEREAS, she held the position of laboratory technician with Riegel for 45 years, and in
11 addition to that work she opened a tax accounting and bookkeeping business in her home;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, in 1986, she became a volunteer bookkeeper-treasurer with the North Georgia
14 Crisis Pregnancy Center, and because she truly believed in the center's mission, she threw
15 herself into the work and after only six years was elected director, and shortly thereafter was
16 asked to open and direct a second center in LaFayette; and

17 WHEREAS, she has counseled hundreds of women in times of trouble and has inspired
18 many churches and individuals to support the center financially; and now 28 churches are
19 regular supporters with donations built into their budgets; and

20 WHEREAS, she initiated many innovative fund raising techniques, such as placing over
21 2,000 baby bottles in churches and businesses for donations to the center in conjunction with
22 Mother's Day; and

1 WHEREAS, she was instrumental in beginning parenting classes and Bible study for clients,
2 and she has worked to secure funds to purchase an ultrasound machine for the center; and

3 WHEREAS, it is only right and proper that this marvelous woman of God, who has touched
4 so many lives over the years, be recognized and honored for her many contributions to her
5 community and the state.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
7 Ms. Mildred Pettett is recognized and commended for her many contributions to her
8 community, and especially for her work with Crisis Pregnancy Centers.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
10 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Mildred Pettett.