

House Resolution 2267

By: Representatives Murphy of the 120th and Howard, E. of the 121st

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Barbara Thurmond for her commitment to helping victims of violent crimes; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Barbara Thurmond was recently nominated to receive the National
4 Organization for Victim Assistance Award for 2006 which is presented annually to recognize
5 the extraordinary accomplishments of individuals and programs in the victims' movement;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Barbara has done outstanding work in service to victims of crime in Richmond
8 County, Georgia, and also has done a fantastic job as the Executive Director of Blacks
9 against Black Crimes, Inc.; and

10 WHEREAS, a nurse by profession, she retired at the age of 34 as a result of a catastrophic
11 illness and she continues to be a voice for victims and survivors even though she is confined
12 to a wheelchair; and

13 WHEREAS, she has been a comfort and inspiration to hundreds of victims and their families
14 with whom she has worked to obtain victims' justice and assistance and she is also a survivor
15 of a homicide victim, her stepdaughter, Tina Thurmond; and

16 WHEREAS, Barbara has received the Essence Award from Essence Magazine and was
17 selected as one of five women in the United States "who go above and beyond," based upon
18 her community involvement and volunteerism, by the National Council of Negro Women;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, she is a member of the Tabernacle Baptist Church in Augusta, Georgia, the
21 Black Heritage Commission, the Central Savannah River Area Girl Scouts, Handgun
22 Control, Inc., Able/Disabled, the Association of Georgians With Disabilities, and other
23 organizations too numerous to list.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body honor Barbara Thurmond for her tireless efforts in support of the
3 victims of violent crime and their survivors.

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 Barbara Thurmond.