

House Resolution 31EX

By: Representative Dukes of the 150th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Mrs. Josephine F. Hill upon her induction into the Albany State University Alumni
2 Hall of Fame; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Josephine Hill was born Metcalfe, Georgia, in Thomas County on September
4 30, 1938, to Joseph and Lossie Fedrick; and

5 WHEREAS, she was the oldest of 12 children and was often left in charge of the house when
6 her parents were away; and

7 WHEREAS, she attended Douglas High in Thomasville, Georgia; and

8 WHEREAS, with the help of a loan from her elementary school teacher, she attended Albany
9 State College from 1956 to 1960 and graduated in the top ten in her class; and

10 WHEREAS, she went on to teach in Thomas County for 18 years and one of her most
11 rewarding accomplishments was teaching adults who normally signed their name with an
12 "X" the ability to read and write; and

13 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hill retired from teaching in 1992 and now satisfies her desire to help
14 others by helping the elderly; she enjoys taking the elderly shopping, to the doctor, preparing
15 their food, doing their laundry, and performing many other chores; and

16 WHEREAS, she enjoys traveling and has been to England, France, Africa, and China,
17 usually in the company of an elderly person who could not travel alone; and

18 WHEREAS, she is currently active with the following organizations: West End Church of
19 Christ, Metro Atlanta Kiwanis Club, K-Kids Club Advisors, Blayton and Howard Floral
20 Club, Atlanta Association of Educators, Georgia Association of Educators (life member),
21 National Education Association (life member), Neighborhood Planning Unit-J, the Atlanta

1 Teachers Federal Credit Union, Douglas High School Alumni Association (life member),
2 Georgia Educational Honors and Awards Committee (life member), Albany State University
3 National Alumni Association (life member), and the Griffin-Crescent Alumni Chapter; and

4 WHEREAS, she was one of the first people from Albany State to be named to Who's Who
5 in Colleges and Universities and was nominated by a fifth grader she taught to Who's Who
6 Among America's Teachers; and

7 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hill is the mother of three sons and four stepchildren and has four
8 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter; and

9 WHEREAS, she is a natural leader who has had a tremendous positive impact on the lives
10 of others in school and in her community and she continues to use her common sense with
11 her infectious desire to help others; she has been known to say "all the education in the
12 world isn't good enough if one doesn't have common sense."

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
14 the members of this body honor Mrs. Josephine F. Hill for her life of service devoted to
15 helping others through education and in her community.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
17 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Mrs. Josephine F. Hill and
18 to the Albany State University Alumni Hall of Fame.