

House Resolution 79

By: Representatives Smith of the 113th, Heard of the 114th, and McKillip of the 115th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and honoring Shelby Lacy for a lifetime of outstanding service in the field of
2 nursing; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Shelby Lacy, R.N. M.S.N., is the honoree of the 2006 Georgia Hospital
4 Association Lifetime Heroic Achievement Award in recognition of her 43 years of resolute
5 and altruistic dedication to health education and the practice of the healing arts; and

6 WHEREAS, for her indefatigable and visionary dedication, Shelby Lacy has been honored
7 in the past by receiving the Medical College of Georgia E. Lewis Grant Award for
8 Distinguished Alumni, being named Athens Woman of Distinction for the Girl Scouts of
9 Northeast Georgia, receiving the Distinguished Service Award from the Georgia Nurses
10 Association, being named Boss of the Year for Athens Regional Health Services, and
11 receiving the Mary N. Long Award for Innovation in Nursing Practice from the Georgia
12 Nurses Foundation; and

13 WHEREAS, she was instrumental in the creation of the Department of Education at the
14 Athens Regional Medical Center where she is currently manager of health education; and

15 WHEREAS, Shelby Lacy is celebrated for her inspirational leadership, as demonstrated by
16 her promotion of new health programs in cardiac resuscitation, enterostomal therapy,
17 infection control, critical care education, CPR training, and nursing internships for recent
18 graduates; and

19 WHEREAS, she was one of the primary leaders in establishing the Athens Clinic for the
20 Homeless, which saw almost 4,700 clients in 2005, and continues to serve on its Board of
21 Directors and has served as the chair of Clarke County's Board of Health, chair of the
22 Athens-Clarke County Family Connection Board, and two terms as president of Georgia
23 Nurses Association District 11; and

1 WHEREAS, she is also an indispensable member of the community, serving her fellow
2 citizens as a member of the Athens Pilot Club and the League of Women Voters and Partners
3 for a Prosperous Athens; and

4 WHEREAS, Shelby Lacy has brought great honor to the nursing profession, the City of
5 Athens, and the State of Georgia.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
7 the members of this body join in honoring the work of Shelby Lacy for her years of selfless
8 work as an outstanding nurse, health educator, and leader of the medical community.

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 Shelby Lacy.