

## House Resolution 367

By: Representative Epps of the 128<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Joan K. Turner; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Ms. Joan K. Turner is a registered nurse, a loving mother, and a dynamic  
3 community leader of the health services in Georgia; and

4 WHEREAS, Ms. Turner, executive director for Pathways Center for Behavioral and  
5 Developmental Growth, has over 300 wonderful employees, but she has always held the firm  
6 belief that the success of the organization rests with each individual employee including  
7 herself; and

8 WHEREAS, Pathways Center for Behavioral and Developmental Growth provides  
9 Georgians with a number of essential mental health services for adults, including community  
10 based rehabilitation, case management, crisis intervention, and outpatient treatment, as well  
11 as substance abuse services for children and adults and developmental disability services,  
12 crisis stabilization, and emergency receiving services for adults; and

13 WHEREAS, Pathways is a large company with a human face providing thorough and  
14 friendly service to 7,500 residents in ten counties and operating a 12 bed crisis stabilization  
15 and emergency receiving unit for mental health and substance abuse cases around the clock,  
16 seven days a week; and

17 WHEREAS, Ms. Turner was employed as a registered nurse at Roosevelt Warm Springs  
18 Institute of Rehabilitation when she responded to an advertisement for lead nurse with a  
19 newly created Subacute Detox Program in LaGrange and worked her way to the position of  
20 CEO, which she has held since 1994; and

21 WHEREAS, her loving dedication at work is only surpassed by her love for her family, and  
22 she is married to David Turner and has one son, Jonathan Harper; and

1 WHEREAS, throughout her inspiring career, she has touched the hearts and lives of  
2 countless patients, colleagues, and employees through her selfless dedication to the task of  
3 healing the sick, guiding the lost and confused, and alleviating the pain of those in her care;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, she has brought honor to her family, community, and the State of Georgia.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
7 the members of this body recognize and commend Ms. Joan K. Turner for her exemplary  
8 career in the health services and for her outstanding contributions to the safety and positive  
9 growth of her community.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
11 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Joan K. Turner.