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House Resolution 538

By: Representative Watson of the 91st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending DeKalb County District Attorney Gwendolyn Keyes Fleming;
- 2 and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Gwendolyn Keyes Fleming was sworn into office in December, 2005,
- 4 becoming the first African American and first female district attorney in the history of
- 5 DeKalb County, Georgia; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she is a native of New Jersey, and graduated from Douglass College of Rutgers
- 7 University with a Bachelor of Science in Finance, and from Emory University School of
- 8 Law; and
- 9 WHEREAS, her prosecutorial career spans over 13 years at both the misdemeanor and felony
- 10 level, including a six-year stint as DeKalb County's youngest elected Solicitor-General; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the district attorney's office handles upwards of 8,000 felony cases a year; and
- 12 WHEREAS, as District Attorney, Gwendolyn Keyes Fleming is responsible for supervising
- and training a staff of 50 attorneys and 100 support personnel while administering an
- 14 \$11 million annual budget; and
- 15 WHEREAS, in her first term she has expanded services by launching a Domestic Violence
- and Sexual Assault Unit and a High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) unit, and by
- 17 creating a community prosecutor position; and
- 18 WHEREAS, her other first term priorities include creating a pretrial diversion program, a
- 19 cold case unit, and a unit to focus on prosecuting gangs; and
- 20 WHEREAS, it is fitting and appropriate that the House of Representatives recognize this
- 21 distinguished public servant's important contributions.

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 $1\quad \mathsf{NOW}, \mathsf{THEREFORE}, \mathsf{BE}\,\mathsf{IT}\,\mathsf{RESOLVED}\,\mathsf{BY}\,\mathsf{THE}\,\mathsf{HOUSE}\,\mathsf{OF}\,\mathsf{REPRESENTATIVES}\,\mathsf{that}$

- 2 this body recognizes and commends DeKalb County District Attorney Gwendolyn Keyes
- 3 Fleming, for exemplary public service and the great credit reflected thereby on the DeKalb
- 4 County community and the State of Georgia.
- 5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 6 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Gwendolyn Keyes Fleming.