

House Resolution 1251

By: Representative Chambers of the 81st

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Mercy Housing; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mercy Housing was founded 25 years ago as a concrete response to a growing
3 housing crisis in the United States where many people were struggling to find safe, quality,
4 affordable housing; and

5 WHEREAS, Mercy Housing is addressing this crisis through its mission to create stable,
6 vibrant, and healthy communities by developing, financing, and operating affordable,
7 program-enriched housing for families, seniors, and people with special needs who lack the
8 economic resources to access quality, safe housing opportunities; and

9 WHEREAS, Mercy Housing has developed more than 19,100 affordable homes that serve
10 more than 58,100 people throughout the nation; and

11 WHEREAS, Mercy Housing considers housing a means to an end, because when people
12 don't have to worry about the safety and affordability of their home, they can focus on
13 gaining new career skills, helping their children do well in school, and becoming involved
14 in their communities; and

15 WHEREAS, Mercy Housing provides resident services at each property that are tailored to
16 the community's needs, such as computer, health, and financial education classes,
17 employment initiatives, and after-school programs; and

18 WHEREAS, Mercy Housing Southeast has developed and manages over 2,000 quality,
19 affordable homes serving more than 2,700 families and senior citizens in Georgia in Atlanta,
20 Americus, Chamblee, Decatur, Madison, Pembroke, Savannah, and Scottdale, with continued
21 plans for even more in the coming years; and

1 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia and other local partners have collaborated with Mercy
2 Housing Southeast to provide opportunities that address Georgia's need for affordable
3 housing, neighborhood revitalization, and the restoration of this state's historic
4 neighborhoods.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
6 the members of this body commend the contribution to Georgia that Mercy Housing has
7 made through its efforts and successful projects.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
9 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mercy Housing.