

House Resolution 1804

By: Representative Byrd of the 20th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Lani Wong, chairperson of the Atlanta chapter of the National Association of
- 2 Chinese-Americans; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, business and cultural connections between China and Atlanta are due largely
- 4 to the efforts of Lani Wong; and
- 5 WHEREAS, for 27 years, Lani Wong has worked as a volunteer to move Atlanta closer to
- 6 the People's Republic of China in her capacity as chairperson of the Atlanta chapter of the
- 7 National Association of Chinese-Americans, and she serves as an unofficial conduit between
- 8 Atlanta business and government officials and their investment minded Chinese counterparts;
- 9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, she has been instrumental in helping Georgians seeking business opportunities
- 11 in China; and
- 12 WHEREAS, in Atlanta, Lani Wong translates, arranges banquets, and shepherds Chinese
- 13 officials around town, introducing them to Governor Perdue, Mayor Shirley Franklin, and
- 14 other dignitaries and business persons; and
- 15 WHEREAS, last March, Beijing recognized her business development expertise by inviting
- 16 Lani Wong, along with five other United States citizens, to a key political conference; and
- 17 WHEREAS, she continues to pursue the establishment of a close relationship between
- 18 Atlanta and China in civic, political, and educational matters; and
- 19 WHEREAS, she has been honored in Who's Who in Asian American Communities and by
- 20 the National Organization of Black Legislative Women for her contributions to her
- 21 profession and for her community service as part of the 2008 program, "A Salute to Georgia
- 22 Pioneer Women"; and

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body hereby recognize the special contributions and efforts of Lani
3 Wong, the chairperson of the Atlanta chapter of the National Association of
4 Chinese-Americans, to promote peace and grow commercial, cultural, and educational ties
5 between the United States and China.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
7 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Lani Wong.