

House Resolution 2224

By: Representatives Morgan of the 39th, Brooks of the 63rd, Dooley of the 38th, Jones of the 44th, and Manning of the 32nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mrs. Deane Bonner for her years of outstanding service as
2 President of Cobb National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; and for
3 other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, a resident of Marietta, Georgia, since 1971, Mrs. Deane Bonner has been a
5 member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) since
6 1960 and was named a Life Member in 1980; and

7 WHEREAS, as a native of Weirton, West Virginia, Mrs. Bonner recognized the importance
8 of civil rights at an early age, attending an all-black school in a time before integration; and

9 WHEREAS, she is a member on the National Presidential Council, is a para-legal graduate
10 from Kennesaw State University, and was elected president of the Cobb County chapter of
11 the NAACP in 1997, where she has served with honor and distinction; and

12 WHEREAS, Mrs. Bonner is united in love and marriage to Jesse Bonner, a retired senior
13 master sergeant from Dobbins Air Force Base, and they have been blessed with two
14 remarkable children, seven amazing grandchildren, and a delightful great-grandchild; and

15 WHEREAS, with her leadership and vision, the Cobb County chapter of the NAACP has
16 grown in influence and spread throughout the county to become active in the community,
17 both politically and academically; and

18 WHEREAS, during Mrs. Bonner's tenure as president, the chapter has established an annual
19 Education Forum, provided daily voter registration, created the Afro-Academic Cultural
20 Technological & Scientific Olympics which has become the flagship youth program of the
21 NAACP, and hosted political forums and meetings with elected city and school officials,
22 police, and civic organizations; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
24 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body recognize Mrs. Deane Bonner for her decades of service to her
27 community and commend her commitment to justice and equality in Cobb County and
28 throughout Georgia.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
30 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Deane Bonner.