

House Resolution 250

By: Representatives Byrd of the 20th, Hill of the 21st, Hamilton of the 23rd, and Jerguson of the 22nd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Marguerite Cline; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Ms. Marguerite Cline has been recognized for her outstanding public service
3 and leadership, earning the 2009 First Citizen Award from the Cherokee County Chamber
4 of Commerce; and
- 5 WHEREAS, nominated for the award by William Teasley, Ms. Cline was found deserving
6 of recognition for her many contributions to the community; and
- 7 WHEREAS, a graduate of Reinhardt College, Ms. Cline earned a bachelor's and master's
8 degree from North Georgia College and an education specialist degree from West Georgia
9 College; and
- 10 WHEREAS, known for her Southern grace and creative nature, Ms. Cline's 14 year tenure
11 as the mayor of Waleska earned her the title as the first woman to hold the position; and
- 12 WHEREAS, not only was this pioneer the first woman elected as mayor of Waleska, she was
13 also the first woman elected as superintendent of Cherokee County schools and as
14 chairperson of the Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce; and
- 15 WHEREAS, a self-proclaimed perfectionist, Ms. Cline has been recognized for her
16 remarkable career with other awards such as Georgia School Superintendent of the Year, a
17 Distinguished Alumnus Award from Reinhardt College, a Lamar Haley Community Service
18 Award from the Rotary Club of Canton, a Robert S. Stubbs Ethics Award, a Coxe Award,
19 and a Lee Arrendale Vocational Award; and
- 20 WHEREAS, also an award winning columnist, Ms. Cline has two books of her amazing and
21 insightful newspaper columns and has hosted local television and radio shows; and

22 WHEREAS, active in all areas of community service, Ms. Cline is a current or past member
23 of the Cherokee Recreation and Parks Authority Board, Reinhardt College's Board of
24 Advisors and Board of Trustees Academic Affairs Committee, the Cherokee County Board
25 of Health, WellStar Kennestone Hospital and Wachovia Bank's advisory boards, boards of
26 the Falany Performing Arts Center, Cherokee County Arts Council, and Cherokee County
27 CASA; and

28 WHEREAS, a charter member of Heritage Baptist Fellowship in Canton, Ms. Cline has
29 served for over 50 years as the church's pianist and organist; and

30 WHEREAS, Ms. Cline has proven herself to be an extremely effective public servant,
31 approaching each challenge with determination and drive, and the State of Georgia is
32 honored to have such a motivated and hard-working individual as one of its citizens.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
34 the members of this body recognize Ms. Marguerite Cline for her outstanding career,
35 commend her for outstanding leadership abilities, and congratulate her on her 2009 First
36 Citizen Award.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
38 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Cline.