

House Resolution 310

By: Representatives Everson of the 106th, Casas of the 103rd, Cox of the 102nd, and Coan of the 101st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Kay Whithear; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Ms. Kay Whithear has served as executive director of Lilburn Cooperative
- 3 Ministry since the organization's creation in 1994; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Lilburn Cooperative Ministry was founded by four churches in the Lilburn
- 5 community in order to pool resources for outreach ministries and have a greater impact upon
- 6 the Lilburn area; and
- 7 WHEREAS, over the years, Lilburn Cooperative Ministry has grown and expanded, moving
- 8 from its original location in a small house it shared with Habitat for Humanity at Mountain
- 9 Park United Methodist Church to its current location, with room to accommodate all the
- 10 ministry's needs; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Lilburn Cooperative Ministry's mission is to give maximum support to clients
- 12 while allowing them to maintain their dignity and self worth by assisting with their utility
- 13 bills, medical expenses, and food costs and providing spiritual support; and
- 14 WHEREAS, now a collaborative effort of over 40 churches in the Lilburn area, Lilburn
- 15 Cooperative Ministry has given clients over \$2,000,000.00 in services and aid; and
- 16 WHEREAS, a major project organized by Lilburn Cooperative Ministry each month, with
- 17 the help of local girl scout and boy scout troops, the Lilburn Post Office, and Providence
- 18 Christian Academy, is a food drive which has provided over 1,000 tons of food to families
- 19 in need; and
- 20 WHEREAS, under the leadership and vision of Ms. Whithear, Lilburn Cooperative Ministry
- 21 opened Lily's Cloak Thrift Store in 1999, which has generated nearly \$1 million in revenue
- 22 since its decade-long existence; and

23 WHEREAS, Ms. Whithear's significant organizational and leadership talents, her remarkable
24 patience and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her sensitivity to the needs of the
25 citizens of this state have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and
26 associates; and

27 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of Ms.
28 Whithear as executive director of Lilburn Cooperative Ministry be appropriately recognized.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body commend Ms. Kay Whithear for her efficient, effective, unselfish,
31 and dedicated public service to Lilburn Cooperative Ministry.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Kay Whithear.