

House Resolution 1679

By: Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Kendrick of the 94th, Dickerson of the 95th, Dawkins-Haigler of the 93rd, Stephenson of the 92nd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Dr. Beverly A. Scott and inviting her to be recognized by the House of
2 Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Beverly A. Scott was appointed by the MARTA Board of Directors to head
4 MARTA in 2007 and is currently the Chief Executive Officer/General Manager of the
5 Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Scott received a bachelor's degree from Fisk University and a doctorate in
7 political science with a specialization in public administration from Howard University; and

8 WHEREAS, she began her rise to the top in public transit management in 1977 when she
9 was chosen through a national competition as one of four Carnegie-Houston Foundation
10 Fellowship recipients and was named Director of Affirmative Action for the newly created
11 Houston Metropolitan Transit Authority two years later; and

12 WHEREAS, she served as General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of the Sacramento
13 Regional Transit District, General Manager of the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority,
14 held a senior-level position at the New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority, as well
15 as top management at New Jersey Transit Corporation, the Washington Metropolitan
16 Transportation Authority, and Dallas Area Rapid Transit; and

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Scott is a past chairperson of the American Public Transportation
18 Association, served as Executive Director of the National Forum for Black Public
19 Administrators, and was the Executive Director of the Association of Minority Contractors
20 of Harris County; and

21 WHEREAS, she currently serves on the national boards of Reconnecting America,
22 Rail-Volution, and the Transportation Learning Center; she serves on the Executive
23 Committee of the Transportation Research Board of the National Academies of Science, as

24 board member of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce and the Regional Transit Commission,
25 the State Regional Transit Governance Study Committee, the Georgia Transit Association,
26 Central Atlanta Progress, and the Greater Atlanta Chamber of Commerce; and

27 WHEREAS, Dr. Scott was named one of the Top 100 Most Influential Georgians by *Georgia*
28 *Trend* magazine in 2010 and was recently appointed to the National Infrastructure Advisory
29 Council by President Barack Obama; and

30 WHEREAS, Dr. Scott is renowned throughout the United States and the North American
31 transit industry for her visionary leadership, results-driven management style, and
32 progressive approach to labor management relations, and it is abundantly fitting and proper
33 that the many accomplishments of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
35 the members of this body commend Dr. Beverly A. Scott for more than three decades of
36 efficient, effective, unselfish, dedicated public service and her many contributions to the
37 transit industry, and invite her to be recognized by the House of Representatives at a date and
38 time designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
40 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Beverly A. Scott.