

House Resolution 1702

By: Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Jones of the 44th, Dickerson of the 95th, Kendrick of the 94th, Dawkins-Haigler of the 93rd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Sherry Rochelle Hopkins; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Ms. Sherry Rochelle Hopkins earned a Bachelor of Science from Martin
3 University in 1994 and a master's degree in business summa cum laude from Indiana
4 Wesleyan University in 1999; and

5 WHEREAS, she was an Ameritech outside plant engineer specializing in outside plant
6 design; and

7 WHEREAS, she was recruited by the chairman of the board at Golden Rule Insurance
8 Company in 1990 and is a state legislature lobbyist and minority affairs advisor overseeing
9 eight states, and is the company's liaison to all the state legislative black caucuses; and

10 WHEREAS, Ms. Hopkins served two terms as vice chair of the corporate roundtable of the
11 National Black Caucus of State Legislators (NBCSL), chaired the NBCSL annual gala for
12 seven years, and has raised over \$750,000.00 for the organization; and

13 WHEREAS, she has received numerous honors, including the annual NBCSL Outstanding
14 Service Award five times, the Indiana Democratic Outstanding Achievement Award in 2001,
15 and the 2002 Pillars of Leadership Award; and

16 WHEREAS, she has been an advocate for alternatives in education for 15 years and has
17 supported the concept through legislation lobbying and personal financial contributions; and

18 WHEREAS, active in her community, Ms. Hopkins serves on numerous boards, including
19 the Indiana Chapter of the Black Alliance for Educational Options, North Park Academy,
20 Indiana Wesleyan University Advisory, the National Future PAC, Indianapolis Black
21 Chamber of Commerce, and the Illinois Chamber of Commerce Employment Law Council;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, Ms. Hopkins is blessed with one remarkable son and three adored
24 granddaughters; and

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

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body recognize Ms. Sherry Rochelle Hopkins for her efficient, effective,
29 unselfish, and dedicated public service.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Sherry Rochelle
32 Hopkins.