

House Resolution 1845

By: Representative Waites of the 60th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Dionne Walker; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Ms. Dionne Walker is a versatile and accomplished communicator whose
3 diverse career includes editing and producing content for some of the most well-known print,
4 web, and broadcast properties in the nation; and

5 WHEREAS, her journalism career began while attending the University of Maryland, during
6 which time she was interning at Washington, D.C., magazines and websites, freelancing for
7 local newspapers, and maintaining beat duties as a reporter for the campus newspaper; and

8 WHEREAS, she has effectively juggled multiple tasks while working at the *York Daily*
9 *Record*, *The Capital-Gazette*, and *The Associated Press*; and

10 WHEREAS, her writing career has included producing national articles on topics from social
11 issues and diversity to consumer technology, with bylines appearing in *The Washington Post*,
12 *USA Today*, and *Newsday*, among many others; and

13 WHEREAS, Ms. Walker has combined clarity and an engaging writing style with a natural
14 curiosity to produce content that outperforms the competition; and

15 WHEREAS, she received the "Beat of the Week" honor, an internal recognition for *The*
16 *Associated Press* employee who best advances the global brand, for her coverage of the
17 Virginia Tech massacre and the 40th anniversary of the end of anti-miscegenation laws; and

18 WHEREAS, in 2010, Ms. Walker began adding web design, search engine optimization, and
19 web marketing to her professional repertoire, as well as sharpening her media relations
20 chops; and

21 WHEREAS, she has transformed from a traditional journalist into a digital communications
22 professional; and

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

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body commend Ms. Dionne Walker for her years of dedication to
27 journalism and the digital communications profession and extend to her their best wishes for
28 future success.

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 Ms. Dionne Walker.