

House Resolution 2023

By: Representatives Taylor of the 173rd, Carter of the 175th, Black of the 174th, and McBrayer of the 153rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mrs. Carolyn Henry; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mrs. Carolyn Henry earned a Bachelor of Music Education from Fort Valley
3 State University, a Master of Music Education from Valdosta State University, and attended
4 the University of Georgia for advanced studies in vocal pedagogy; and

5 WHEREAS, Mrs. Henry is the artistic director of Carolyn Henry's Academy of Religious
6 Music (C.H.A.R.M.) School, a private music studio for voice and piano students ranging
7 from ages 4-18; and

8 WHEREAS, the C.H.A.R.M. School educates the next generation to read music and keep the
9 traditional hymns, anthems, and spirituals alive; and

10 WHEREAS, Mrs. Henry served in the Georgia public school systems of Thomas and Berrien
11 counties for 37 years directing music and drama for every grade level, and served as director
12 of community choir at Thomas University and an adjunct instructor at Georgia Southwestern
13 University; and

14 WHEREAS, an original member of the Georgia Mass Choir where she currently serves on
15 the board of directors, Mrs. Henry is also a member of the Georgia Music Educators
16 Association, the Music Educators National Conference, American Choral Directors
17 Association, the South Georgia Chapter of the James Cleveland Gospel Music Workshop of
18 America, Bible Study Fellowship International, and the Thomasville Alumnae Chapter of
19 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.; and

20 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Mrs. Henry has been an active member of
21 First Missionary Baptist Church for 50 years and has served as Minister of Music for 30
22 years; and

23 WHEREAS, Mrs. Henry was blessed with the opportunity to be in the movie *The Preacher's*
24 *Wife*, starring Mr. Denzel Washington and the late Ms. Whitney Houston; 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 commend Mrs. Carolyn Henry for her efficient, effective,
29 unselfish, and dedicated public service on behalf of music and extend to her their sincere best
30 wishes for continued health and happiness.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Carolyn Henry.