

## House Resolution 2195

By: Representatives Abdul-Salaam of the 74<sup>th</sup>, Jordan of the 77<sup>th</sup>, Scott of the 76<sup>th</sup>, Waites of the 60<sup>th</sup>, Neal of the 75<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mrs. Cathy D. Ratti on her outstanding public service; and  
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Cathy D. Ratti has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for  
4 the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the  
5 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,  
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state as evidenced  
8 dramatically by her superlative service as regional director for Region 13 of the Department  
9 of Family and Children Services; and

10 WHEREAS, as regional director, Mrs. Ratti oversees 350 staff members and the  
11 administration of Child Protective Services, Family Support, Foster Care and Adoptions,  
12 Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, Employability, Supplemental Nutritional  
13 Assistance Program, Medicaid, and Child Care; and

14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ratti has served as regional director since 2007 and has dedicated over 30  
15 years to the department as a foster care case worker, child protective services worker,  
16 financial assistance case manager, and director of the Clayton County Department of Family  
17 and Children Services; and

18 WHEREAS, a graduate of Jonesboro High School, Mrs. Ratti earned a bachelor's degree  
19 from West Georgia College and a master's degree from Georgia State University; and

20 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ratti's significant organizational and leadership talents, her remarkable  
21 patience and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her sensitivity to the needs of the  
22 citizens of this state have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and  
23 associates; and

24 WHEREAS, a community leader, Mrs. Ratti serves on the boards for the United Way and  
25 Clayton County Community Foundation and has been recognized with the 2002 Athena  
26 Award from the Clayton County Chamber of Commerce and as 2006-2007 Rotarian of the  
27 Year for Clayton County; and

28 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ratti has served with honor and distinction with the Department of Family  
29 and Children Services and her vision and unyielding commitment have set the standard for  
30 public service; and

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

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
34 the members of this body commend Mrs. Cathy D. Ratti for her efficient, effective, unselfish,  
35 and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia and extend to her their most sincere best  
36 wishes for continued health and happiness.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
38 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Cathy D. Ratti.