

House Resolution 385

By: Representatives Kendrick of the 93rd and Harrell of the 106th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of February, 2013, as African American History Month in the City
2 of Snellville, Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the City of Snellville is committed to the continued pursuit of a more equitable
4 society; and calls upon everyone of good will to participate in order to better understand the
5 diverse cultures of Snellville and the universal desire of all humanity to be free; and

6 WHEREAS, much of Snellville's strength and character can be attributed to the diversity of
7 cultures and traditions celebrated by its residents; and

8 WHEREAS, African Americans of all walks of life have made contributions to America's
9 greatness, such as the writings of W.E.B. DuBois, the economic leadership of Booker T.
10 Washington, Marcus Garvey, and Walter Williams, the vision of leaders such as Frederick
11 Douglass, Thurgood Marshall, Martin Luther King, Jr., Clarence Thomas, Condoleeza Rice,
12 and Colin Powell, and the bravery of those such as Harriett Tubman, who stood on the front
13 lines in the battle against oppression; and

14 WHEREAS, Snellville's unique style, from quirky to creative, makes it an ideal place for a
15 variety of programs celebrating African American history; and

16 WHEREAS, for several years Snellville has coordinated a city-wide celebration of African
17 American History Month, highlighting the accomplishments, style, talents, and experiences
18 of African Americans whose lives are threads woven into the fabric of our community; and

19 WHEREAS, the history of persons of African descent in Snellville is everybody's history;
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21 WHEREAS, Snellville's African American History Month recognizes the extraordinary
22 achievements of African Americans and their essential role in shaping the story of Snellville;
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24 WHEREAS, Snellville recognizes the NAACP Gwinnett County Branch, president Mark
25 Williams, and first vice president Robert Crowder; and

26 WHEREAS, the theme for this year's celebration is African American History
27 Month-Snellville Style: Conversations, with programs and events that will encourage all
28 residents to participate in civil dialogue about issues of importance.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body recognize the month of February, 2013, as African American
31 History Month in the City of Snellville, Georgia.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the City of Snellville.