

House Resolution 902

By: Representatives Thomas of the 56th, Brooks of the 55th, and Beasley-Teague of the 65th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Robert L. Williams, Jr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Mr. Robert L. Williams, Jr., on March 21, 2013; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Williams, who turned his life around while in Atlanta, was a valuable and
5 trusted friend, fundraiser, and volunteer who was instrumental in the development of the
6 National Urban Coalition for Unity and Peace (NUCUP) in Atlanta, Georgia; and
- 7 WHEREAS, from 1990 to 1992, Mr. Williams went to the Atlanta Airport every day to raise
8 funds for the NUCUP, only stopping once the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that fund raising for
9 organizations was no longer allowed at airports; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he loved working with the children in his charge, assisting the students with
11 homework assignments or teaching them to work and play with good sportsmanship and
12 helping to safeguard the children on field trips until 1998; and
- 13 WHEREAS, in 1999, Mr. Williams was elected a Resident Association President within the
14 Atlanta Public Housing Authority for the City of Atlanta, Georgia, where he served faithfully
15 until 2008, when he retired and returned home to Detroit, Michigan, to be with family; and
- 16 WHEREAS, every February, Mr. Williams returned to Atlanta to work the Atlanta Fair; and
- 17 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Williams will long be remembered for
18 his love of family and friendship, and this active citizen will be missed by all who had the
19 great fortune of knowing him.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Robert L. Williams,
22 Jr., and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
24 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Robert L.
25 Williams, Jr.