

House Resolution 1268

By: Representatives Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st, Stephenson of the 90th, Mosby of the 83rd, Williams of the 168th, Bell of the 58th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and recognizing Karen Yvonne Fountain and Knorthstar Outreach, Inc.; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Knorthstar Outreach, Inc., founded by Karen Yvonne Fountain on December
4 5, 2009, is a nonprofit community development organization that assists offender women
5 and their families and works to prevent incarceration through teen initiatives, etiquette
6 classes, GED tutoring, and job training and placement; and

7 WHEREAS, Knorthstar Outreach's fundraising proceeds support the Prom Dream Made True
8 Initiative, Women of Etiquette and Excellence Inside/Out, and In Kare' Inspirations
9 programs; and

10 WHEREAS, the Prom Dream Made True Initiative provides candidates with full attire,
11 transportation, and a photo book for the prom; to date, prom attire has been provided for over
12 40 young women and six young men; and

13 WHEREAS, Women of Etiquette and Excellence Inside/Out has provided candidates with
14 an annual High Noon Tea, Christmas of Food, Fun, and Fellowship, etiquette classes, and
15 career workshops and seminars; and

16 WHEREAS, In Kare' Inspirations creates cards and words of encouragement and assists
17 inmates and their families through the Eldoris Williams Food Pantry and the Angel Tree of
18 First Saint Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church; and

19 WHEREAS, one of Knorthstar Outreach's many success stories is that of an inmate who
20 achieved early release from state prison and will enter the master of divinity program at
21 Beulah Heights University in the spring of 2014.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body commend and recognize Karen Yvonne Fountain and Knorthstar
24 Outreach, Inc., for its dedication to helping Georgia's young adults succeed in life.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Karen Yvonne Fountain.