

House Resolution 1451

By: Representatives Carter of the 175th, Taylor of the 173rd, Watson of the 172nd, Black of the 174th, and Powell of the 171st

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Martitia "Marty" Martin Jones and inviting members of her family to
2 be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Martitia "Marty" Martin Jones, R.N., was born on June 20, 1955, and was a
4 resident of Barwick, Georgia, residing in the 8th Senate District and 175th House District,
5 where she was a dedicated and loving wife, mother, and grandmother and an active member
6 of New Covenant Church of Thomasville; and

7 WHEREAS, at an early age, Marty Jones made a decision to spend her life caring for and
8 serving her fellow man, earning her nursing degree from Medical Center of Central Georgia
9 School of Nursing in 1976 as one of the Archbold - Beard Scholars; and

10 WHEREAS, upon graduation, she joined the nursing staff at John D. Archbold Memorial
11 Hospital in Thomasville where, for nearly 38 years, she remained an integral part of the
12 patient care team, serving in many roles as a registered nurse and nurse leader throughout the
13 organization, including positions with 4-West, Admitting, Outpatient Surgery, and
14 Pre-Admission Testing; and

15 WHEREAS, a caregiver to her core, Marty Jones' positive attitude, her constant smile, her
16 servant's heart and, most importantly, her commitment to her patients led to her selection in
17 2000 as Archbold Medical Center's Employee of the Year, singled out for that high honor
18 from among more than 2,700 of her peers and co-workers; and

19 WHEREAS, in the evening hours of February 9, 2014, after witnessing a motor vehicle
20 accident on U.S. Highway 84 in Lowndes County, Georgia, Marty Jones and her husband,
21 Dana, immediately sprang into action without a thought for their own safety, providing care
22 and aid to the accident victims while awaiting emergency medical responders; and

23 WHEREAS, acting as a Good Samaritan nurse and caregiver at the roadside, Marty Jones
24 refused to abandon a patient in her care even in the face of imminent and immediate danger,
25 a brave and unselfish decision that led to her death in a subsequent motor vehicle accident
26 at the scene.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body honor, memorialize, and pay tribute to Martitia "Marty" Martin
29 Jones not only for her unselfish acts of heroism on February 9, 2014, but also for her lifetime
30 of care and service to others; furthermore, the members of this body express and convey their
31 deepest sympathies and condolences to her family, friends, co-workers, and patients as they
32 grieve her loss and invite members of her family to be recognized by the House of
33 Representatives at a date and time to be determined by the Speaker of the House.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
35 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Martitia
36 "Marty" Martin Jones.