

House Resolution 1768

By: Representatives Wilkinson of the 52nd, Jacobs of the 80th, and Willard of the 51st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Sandy Springs Society on its 25th anniversary; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Sandy Springs Society is a charitable organization of women that was
4 founded to support programs that improve the quality of life for the residents of Sandy
5 Springs; and

6 WHEREAS, 16 original founders organized the Sandy Springs Society 25 years ago and the
7 organization now has more than 300 members, all of whom are volunteers; and

8 WHEREAS, an oak tree located in a pocket park on the corner of Mt. Vernon Highway and
9 Hammond Drive was planted in honor of Mayor Eva Galambos on behalf of the Sandy
10 Springs Society; and

11 WHEREAS, the Sandy Springs Society raises money for its grants through fundraisers,
12 corporate and foundation sponsorships, membership dues, and other contributions; and

13 WHEREAS, to date, the society has awarded more than \$2.6 million in grants; and

14 WHEREAS, through its yearly grant process, the organization supports Heritage Sandy
15 Springs and other nonprofits in the community that promote the arts, heritage, education, the
16 environment, and social services; and

17 WHEREAS, the Town Turtles project was undertaken by the organization to give the City
18 of Sandy Springs a mascot and raised more than \$500,000.00; and

19 WHEREAS, its most beneficial annual fundraisers, Tossed Out Treasures and the Elegant
20 Elf Marketplace, are popular community events that attract more than 3,500 people to the
21 City of Sandy Springs; and

22 WHEREAS, the Sandy Springs Society is committed to improving the community by
23 identifying and supporting community needs and programs of broad interest through
24 effective action; and

25 WHEREAS, the society continues to donate no less than 35 percent of its profits to support
26 Heritage Sandy Springs' mission of building the community by preserving and promoting the
27 historic and cultural identity of Sandy Springs.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body recognize and commend the Sandy Springs Society on its 25th
30 anniversary, extend their thanks for its dedication to the improvement of the City of Sandy
31 Springs, and express their most sincere best wishes for continued success.

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 Sandy Springs Society.