

House Resolution 1826

By: Representatives Mabra of the 63rd, Glanton of the 75th, Scott of the 76th, Waites of the 60th, Douglas of the 78th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Sammy Besong Arrey-Mbi; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Sammy Besong Arrey-Mbi has been named the recipient of the 2013 Thomas
3 Murphy Democratic Lifetime Achievement Award; and
- 4 WHEREAS, in 1997, Mr. Arrey-Mbi immigrated to Atlanta, Georgia, from his native
5 country of Cameroon, West Africa; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he is a graduate of the University of Sierra Leone, the University of Yaoundé,
7 Victoria University, and Southern Polytechnic and State University, and he is a retired high
8 school English teacher; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Arrey-Mbi is a member of the Social Democratic Front and the pioneer
10 Secretary General of the Teachers Association of Cameroon; and
- 11 WHEREAS, his distinguished years of service were rewarded when he received the title of
12 Sessekou, a chieftain of a sort, from his community of Bachuo-Ntai, a position he continues
13 to hold today; and
- 14 WHEREAS, in 2003, Mr. Arrey-Mbi joined the Clayton County Democratic Party; shortly
15 after joining, he campaigned and became the Post Seat Holder of 75th House District and
16 continues to hold the position to date; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he served the Clayton/Henry County chapter of Obama for America 2007 and
18 2012 campaigns, and in 2012, he joined the Progressive Democrats of Georgia for the 13th
19 Congressional District in which he serves as a member of the executive board; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Arrey-Mbi is a stellar member of the community, whose leadership is
21 demonstrated by his sense of neutrality and fair-mindedness, and he exhibits a willingness
22 to volunteer and serve his community through his tireless contributions to community events
23 and activities; and

24 WHEREAS, he is united in love and marriage to Jessie and is blessed with eight wonderful
25 children, three of whom serve in the United States Armed Forces; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
27 remarkable individual be appropriately recognized.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body recognize and commend Sammy Besong Arrey-Mbi for his
30 dedication and commitment to serving his community and the State of Georgia and express
31 to him 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 Sammy Besong Arrey-Mbi.