

House Resolution 1984

By: Representatives Howard of the 124th, Smith of the 125th, Frazier of the 126th, Stephens of the 165th, and Fludd of the 64th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Axel D. Adams; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Axel D. Adams is the son of Mattie Adams and the late Albert Adams, Sr., and
3 is a native of New Ellenton, South Carolina, but currently resides in Atlanta; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Adams is a noted presenter, national leader, and speaker and has appeared
5 on platforms at conferences, churches, colleges and universities, community events,
6 television, and radio; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he is employed with the Rainbow PUSH Coalition where Reverend Dr. Jesse
8 L. Jackson, Sr., is the founder and president; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Adams serves as the national director of the 1,000 Churches Connected
10 Program, with the primary responsibility of building, deepening, and leveraging partnerships
11 with almost 3,000 pastors, representing approximately 2.5 million congregations around the
12 United States, focusing on what Reverend Jackson calls, "a program created to deliver a
13 message of economic and health responsibility through the church"; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he was hired by Reverend Jesse Jackson, Sr., as the chief operations officer and
15 deputy executive director in the Chicago headquarters office and is the youngest hired to
16 serve in that position where he manages and directs operations for the civil rights
17 organization nationally and internationally; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Mr. Adams has also started the Youth Conference track at the Rainbow PUSH
19 National Conferences and the Rainbow PUSH Historically Black Colleges and Universities
20 Tour; and

21 WHEREAS, he was previously employed with the Department of Energy Westinghouse
22 Savannah River Company for more than 12 years as a supervisor in the Nuclear Material
23 Processing Division, working with various isotopes; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Adams was the first African American to receive the Westinghouse
25 Savannah River Company's Community Service Award for his work with youth; and

26 WHEREAS, the NAACP Youth and College Division has named an award in his honor,
27 entitled the "Axel D. Adams Advisor of the Year Award" for exemplary service; and

28 WHEREAS, Mr. Adams was the first African American to serve on City Council in New
29 Ellenton, South Carolina, at the early age of 22 and was the youngest elected official at that
30 time in the State of South Carolina; and

31 WHEREAS, he has served on several boards and committees, including the State of South
32 Carolina ACLU Executive Board, the NAACP Executive Committee, and the Young
33 Democrats; and

34 WHEREAS, Mr. Adams is the owner of the AAdamsGroup, a consultant and management
35 firm specializing in faith based marketing, artist management, and public relations; and

36 WHEREAS, he is also the founder of the Minorities Network, which serves as a vehicle for
37 corporations to seek qualified minority businesses to expand the marketplace; and

38 WHEREAS, Mr. Adams is being honored by an appreciation gala on March 22, 2013, for
39 his countless outstanding accomplishments.

40 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
41 the members of this body recognize and commend Axel D. Adams for his dedication to the
42 betterment of the citizens of the State of Georgia and express to him their most sincere best
43 wishes for continued success and happiness.

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
45 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Axel D. Adams.