

House Resolution 2000

By: Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65<sup>th</sup>, Glanton of the 75<sup>th</sup>, Brooks of the 55<sup>th</sup>, and Anderson of the 92<sup>nd</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Ruth M. Lewis; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens  
3 with the passing of Ruth M. Lewis on March 25, 2012; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Ruth M. Lewis was born on March 21, 1931, in Cleveland, Mississippi, a  
5 beloved daughter of the late Wiley and Mallie Hill Hodges; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Mrs. Lewis was a long-time member of  
7 Phillips Temple in Indianapolis, Indiana; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage to Sam Lewis and was blessed with six  
9 remarkable children, Marilyn, Travis, Kenneth, Donna, Donald, and Lisa, five wonderful  
10 grandchildren, and two cherished great-grandchildren; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Lewis valued education for herself and for her children, always  
12 encouraging them and others to do their best and to reach their full potential; she led by  
13 example by finishing her education despite hardships; and
- 14 WHEREAS, she loved basketball, especially cheering on her favorite team, the Los Angeles  
15 Lakers; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Mrs. Lewis gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep  
17 concern for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she  
18 demonstrated to her family and friends were admired by others; and
- 19 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
20 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example she made of her life,  
21 she made this world a better place in which to live; and

22 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Mrs. Lewis will long be remembered  
23 for her love of family and friendship, and this loyal gentlewoman and friend will be missed  
24 by all who had the great fortune of knowing her.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
26 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Ruth M. Lewis and express  
27 their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
29 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Ruth M.  
30 Lewis.