

House of Representatives

House Resolution 2033

By: Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Lumsden of the 12th, and Coomer of the 14th

A RESOLUTION

Recognizing and commending 2014 Heart of the Community Award Winner Esther Vaughn; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, Ms. Esther Vaughn's reputation for community service and selfless dedication to others has been recognized by the Heart of the Community Foundation, Inc., and the Redmond Regional Medical Center with a 2014 Heart of the Community Award; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1987, the Heart of the Community Foundation Award honors community leaders, with more than 150 individuals recognized for their altruistic service over the last 27 years; and

WHEREAS, the Heart of the Community Foundation supports local heart related activities, community education, and local charities; and

WHEREAS, the 2014 Heart of the Community Award recipients will have donations made to a local charity in their honor; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Main High School, Ms. Vaughn earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Clark College and Atlanta University and an education specialist degree from Jacksonville State University; and

WHEREAS, her professional career spans over 37 years with various positions in education, special education, and as principal of Main Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Ms. Vaughn is an active member of Lovejoy Baptist Church where she has served as minister of music, on the Reverend J.L. Vaughn tracking and scholarship ministry, and organized a summer explosion program to provide academic improvement and a safe haven for youths during the summer months; and

WHEREAS, she devotes her free time to helping others through her work with the Esther S. Vaughn Fine Arts Ministry, Board of Directors of Lovejoy Community Services, National Baptist Congress of Christian Education, Rome/Floyd County Commission on Children and Youth, Floyd County Board of Elections and Registration, Martin Luther King Commission, Hospitality House Board of Directors, Boys and Girls Club of Northwest Georgia, Board of Directors of the Rome/Floyd Domestic Violence Task Force, and Rome Police Department; and

WHEREAS, she is united in love and marriage to her husband, John, and she has been blessed with three remarkable children; and

WHEREAS, the benevolent and honorable deeds of this charitable woman serve as a shining example of volunteerism, and the State of Georgia is honored and blessed to have Ms. Vaughn as a citizen.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that the members of this body recognize and commend Ms. Esther Vaughn on her outstanding community service and congratulate her on her receipt of the prestigious 2014 Heart of the Community Award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Esther Vaughn.

IN HOUSE

Read and Adopted
March 20, 2014

William L. Reilly
Clerk