

House Resolution 464

By: Representatives Frazier of the 126th, Howard of the 124th, Sims of the 123rd, Smith of the 125th, Bruce of the 61st, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mrs. Turetha Elizabeth Neely; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most dedicated citizens with
3 the passing of Mrs. Turetha Elizabeth Neely on October 9, 2014; and
- 4 WHEREAS, she was born one of nine children on May 8, 1944, in Burke County, Georgia,
5 to the late Evelyn and Freeman Davis; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she was educated in the Richmond County School System in Augusta, Georgia,
7 and worked in food services at Blythe Elementary School and Gracewood State School
8 Hospital; and
- 9 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage to the late Councilman Clay Neely for 46
10 years and was blessed with six daughters, Yvette, Pauline Ann, Phenopia, Sharon, Andria,
11 and Roshanda; two sons, Clayton and Carl; nine grandchildren; two acknowledged
12 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; four step grandchildren; one step great-grandchild;
13 and two godsons; and
- 14 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Mrs. Neely was a dedicated and loyal
15 member of Springhill Baptist Church in Keysville, Georgia; and
- 16 WHEREAS, this distinguished woman of courage was one of the original reactives of the
17 City of Keysville in 1983 with the former Mayor Emma Gretchen, a dedicated officer of the
18 Keysville Concerned Citizens, and a loyal member of the Verbera Chapter #325, Order of
19 the Eastern Star; and
- 20 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
21 for integrity and kindness, and by the example she made of her life, she made this world a
22 better place in which to live; and

23 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that Mrs. Turetha Elizabeth Neely is appropriately
24 recognized and remembered as a loving wife, mother, grandmother, aunt, sister, friend, and
25 courageous community leader and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of
26 knowing her.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body honor the life and memory of Mrs. Turetha Elizabeth Neely and
29 express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
32 family of Mrs. Turetha Elizabeth Neely.