

House Resolution 464

By: Representatives Frazier of the 126<sup>th</sup>, Howard of the 124<sup>th</sup>, Sims of the 123<sup>rd</sup>, Smith of the 125<sup>th</sup>, Bruce of the 61<sup>st</sup>, 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 reactivates 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.