

## House Resolution 503

By: Representatives Kaiser of the 59<sup>th</sup>, Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>, Abrams of the 89<sup>th</sup>, Randall of the 142<sup>nd</sup>, Thomas of the 56<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Alice M. Johnson; 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 Alice M. Johnson on November 3, 2014; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Alice was born in the Chicago area, but lived in Atlanta, Georgia, for the past  
5 30 years and became an integral part of the Atlanta community; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she was a loving and devoted sister to Liz and Gary Johnson and Gene Johnson,  
7 Jr.; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she earned a Bachelor of Arts in English and Secondary Education, graduating  
9 magna cum laude from Mundelein College, and furthered her education with a Master of  
10 Public Administration with departmental honors from Georgia State University; and
- 11 WHEREAS, she was passionate about community organizing and worked with the Brown  
12 Lung Association and SEIU in Georgia and North Carolina; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Alice worked in the office of Mayor Andrew Young and most recently created  
14 and held the position of Community Affairs Liaison with the Atlanta Police Department; and
- 15 WHEREAS, she was devoted to working with youth and held the position of Executive  
16 Director of the Jean Childs Young Institute for Youth Leadership, where the group Kids 4  
17 a Change was developed and local youth expressed their ideas; and
- 18 WHEREAS, she continued her advocacy and organizing passions with several different  
19 opportunities in Atlanta, working as a consultant on public policy with City of Atlanta Weed  
20 and Seed, the Georgia Juvenile Justice Fund/Child Prostitution Prevention Project, and the  
21 Georgia Commission on Family Violence-Law Enforcement Training Project; and

22 WHEREAS, she was well known for her legislative lobbying, public speaking, and  
23 organizing for gun control/gun safety, and in 1993, she co-founded and began serving as the  
24 Executive Director of Georgians for Gun Safety/Educating Georgians for Gun Safety; and

25 WHEREAS, Alice was an advocate for many people and causes in her lifetime, her  
26 accomplishments are numerous, and she deeply valued and believed in education, social  
27 justice, and collaboration with community members to achieve common goals.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
29 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Alice M. Johnson and  
30 express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
32 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
33 family of Alice M. Johnson.