

## House Resolution 541

By: Representatives Dawkins-Haigler of the 91<sup>st</sup>, Kendrick of the 93<sup>rd</sup>, Anderson of the 92<sup>nd</sup>, Stephenson of the 90<sup>th</sup>, Mosby of the 83<sup>rd</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Roderick Cunningham for his efforts to assist victims of domestic violence;
- 2 and for other purposes.
  
- 3 WHEREAS, Roderick Cunningham is the founder and executive director of the Beverly
- 4 Cunningham Outreach Program, a Section 501(c)(3) organization founded in 2010 which
- 5 serves victims of domestic violence; and
  
- 6 WHEREAS, the mission of the Beverly Cunningham Outreach Program is to provide
- 7 individual and group counseling, advocacy, and rehabilitation services to survivors of
- 8 domestic violence; and
  
- 9 WHEREAS, the foundation seeks to be an outlet for community youth who are at risk of
- 10 becoming victims of violence or substance abuse or who are impacted by health issues, and
- 11 it has helped more than 4,100 children, women, and families through its domestic violence
- 12 programs, economic empowerment programs, and community outreach programs from
- 13 2010-2013; and
  
- 14 WHEREAS, Roderick has received numerous community service awards, resolutions, and
- 15 proclamations from the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners and state representatives;
- 16 and
  
- 17 WHEREAS, he is a member of the Georgia Coalition Against Domestic Violence 2013-2015
- 18 Board of Directors; Strengthening Families and Communities Coalition of Atlanta; Ryan
- 19 Cameron Foundation Teen Dating Violence Committee; PADV Teen Dating Summit
- 20 Committee; Georgia Department of Labor-DeKalb/Rockdale Employer Committee; DeKalb
- 21 County School District-Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education Business Partner;
- 22 DeKalb County Chamber of Commerce; and the Georgia Chamber of Commerce; and

23 WHEREAS, he has been featured on several blog talk radio shows and in several newspaper  
24 articles and has been a panelist for Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, the United States  
25 Department of Families and Children Services Region 4 Head Start Conference, and the  
26 Georgia Department of Corrections and Parole; and

27 WHEREAS, he valiantly and courageously served in the United States Navy and worked in  
28 corporate security as a project manager before founding the Beverly Cunningham Outreach  
29 Program; and

30 WHEREAS, he is united in love and marriage to Muqueet Pelham-Cunningham and is  
31 blessed with a beautiful daughter, Journeé Maria Cunningham; and

32 WHEREAS, Roderick Cunningham is dedicated and determined to helping victims of  
33 domestic violence and working toward ending it completely, and it is abundantly fitting and  
34 proper for him to be honored.

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
36 the members of this body commend Roderick Cunningham for his efforts to assist victims  
37 of domestic violence.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
39 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
40 Roderick Cunningham.