

House Resolution 608

By: Representative Cheokas of the 138th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Connie Gurley, RN, extraordinary nurse and outstanding
2 Georgia citizen; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Ms. Connie Gurley, RN, has long been recognized for her hard work,
4 leadership, and unselfish dedication to providing excellent patient care; and

5 WHEREAS, in honor of her amazing service above and beyond the call of duty, Connie
6 Gurley, RN, was selected as the first Phoebe Sumter Medical Center recipient of the DAISY
7 Award for Extraordinary Nurses; and

8 WHEREAS, the not-for-profit DAISY Foundation is based in Glen Ellen, California, and
9 was established by the family members of J. Patrick Barnes in memory of the extraordinary
10 nursing care he received when he was hospitalized with a critical illness, and the award is
11 given to recognize and honor the hard work that nurses perform every day; and

12 WHEREAS, Ms. Connie Gurley, RN, was nominated by two of her fellow nurses for
13 providing knowledge and care to patients, their families, and other staff members; and

14 WHEREAS, Nurse Gurley provides loving care at the Phoebe Sumter Medical Center where
15 she ably administers PTM surgical services; and

16 WHEREAS, she spends numerous extra hours, often at great personal sacrifice, caring for
17 her patients and educating them and their families, and she always shows immeasurable
18 respect for the people she serves, giving them confidence and allowing them to be involved
19 in her care; and

20 WHEREAS, she remains on the cutting edge of educational developments; and, as a
21 specialized PICC nurse, she created and presented an educational program to the nursing
22 homes and home health agencies in her community to ensure that her patients had the best

23 possible care and that their PICC lines were managed by the best practices outside the
24 facility; and

25 WHEREAS, this selfless caregiver frequently volunteers in her community, including
26 volunteering to help with flu vaccine administration for staff and their families; and

27 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments and
28 sacrifices of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body recognize Ms. Connie Gurley, RN, for her dedicated and selfless
31 service to others and congratulate her upon being selected as the first Phoebe Sumter Medical
32 Center recipient of the DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
34 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Ms.
35 Connie Gurley, RN.