

## House Resolution 779

By: Representatives Stovall of the 74<sup>th</sup>, Thomas of the 56<sup>th</sup>, Waites of the 60<sup>th</sup>, and Kaiser of the 59<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Thelma A. Jolly Malone for her dedicated service to her community and the  
2 State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Thelma A. Jolly Malone, the oldest of six children, was born and raised in  
4 Atlanta, Georgia, and attended the Atlanta Public School System; and

5 WHEREAS, she was trained and worked at St. Joseph Hospital School of Nursing before she  
6 worked with the Visiting Nurses of Atlanta and The Carter Center as a coordinator with  
7 President Jimmy Carter; and

8 WHEREAS, she is united in love and marriage to Willie O. Malone, Jr., and is blessed with  
9 six amazing children, Rodney, Owen, Tracy, Coata, Marquette, and Sirquette, 22 wonderful  
10 grandchildren, and seven exceptional great-grandchildren; and

11 WHEREAS, Thelma Malone has worked tirelessly as an advocate for children and public  
12 education since 1973, during which time she has held many different PTA responsibilities,  
13 ranging from serving as a room representative to Second Vice President of the Georgia PTA;  
14 and

15 WHEREAS, she was the first and only African American female to serve as Treasurer of the  
16 Georgia PTA, and her vast experience and dedication are proven by her long-lasting  
17 relationships with J. W. Dobbs Elementary School, Fulton High School, L. J. Price Middle  
18 School, South Atlanta High School, Georgia PTA, the Eighth and Tenth District of PTA,  
19 Atlanta Council of PTAs, Boy Scouts of America, American Red Cross, Task Force for the  
20 Homeless, Families First Black Adoption, Atlanta Project Grad, Great City Schools, City of  
21 Atlanta Chamber Education Committee, APS Parents Center, and Zap Asthma; and

22 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Thelma Malone is an active member of  
23 Abundant Life Church, where she has served on the Board of Trustees, as a Sunday School

24 teacher and superintendent, in public relations, as CWC Co-Chair, as Elders and Ministers  
25 Wife Chair, on the Anniversary Committee, as Chairman of the Missionary Board, and as  
26 President of the "Overcomers" Unit for South Central Georgia Church of God in Christ; and

27 WHEREAS, Thelma A. Jolly Malone has spent her life giving back to her community and  
28 making the State of Georgia a better place in which to live, and it is abundantly fitting and  
29 proper that this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by this body.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
31 the members of this body commend Thelma A. Jolly Malone for her dedicated service to her  
32 community and the State of Georgia.

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  
35 Thelma A. Jolly Malone.