

## House Resolution 1027

By: Representatives Howard of the 124<sup>th</sup>, Frazier of the 126<sup>th</sup>, Sims of the 123<sup>rd</sup>, Prince of the 127<sup>th</sup>, and Smith of the 125<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mrs. Gloria B. Lewis on the occasion of her retirement as  
2 Executive Director of the CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority, Inc; and for other  
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Gloria B. Lewis has displayed leadership and a deep personal commitment  
5 to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia through her work for the CSRA, a private nonprofit  
6 501(c)(3) organization which promotes self-sufficiency and eases the human suffering of  
7 individuals, children, and families with low incomes; and

8 WHEREAS, Mrs. Lewis provides leadership and guidance for more than 500 employees of  
9 the agency and is responsible for the financial and operational integrity of the organization's  
10 40 work sites in 14 counties, which include Bulloch, Burke, Columbia, Emanuel, Glascock,  
11 Jefferson, Jenkins, Lincoln, McDuffie, Richmond, Screven, Taliaferro, Warren, and Wilkes;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,  
14 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community, state, and nation as evidenced  
15 by her service on many local, regional, and national boards and committees to find solutions  
16 for the debilitating effects of poverty; and

17 WHEREAS, under Mrs. Lewis' leadership, CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority has been  
18 awarded several prestigious state, regional, and national awards of excellence in the areas of  
19 program development and self-sufficiency, including being selected as winner of the Audrey  
20 Nelson Community Development Achievement Award, a national competition to recognize  
21 an exemplary program that best addresses the needs of low-income families and  
22 neighborhoods; and

23 WHEREAS, Mrs. Lewis earned the designation of Certified Community Action Manager  
24 after completing the 140 hour, seven module leadership curriculum offered by the  
25 Southeastern Association of Community Action Agencies; and

26 WHEREAS, she has participated as board member and trustee for many local, regional, and  
27 national organizations including the Augusta Partnership for Children, Inc., Richmond/Burke  
28 Workforce Investment Board, Partnership for Community Health, and Head Start  
29 Associations; and

30 WHEREAS, Mrs. Lewis and her husband, Dennis, are the proud parents of LaMonica,  
31 Tremayne, and Tamarah and the devoted grandparents of two adorable granddaughters,  
32 Janya Areaun and Bella Noelle; and

33 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
34 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
36 the members of this body commend Mrs. Gloria B. Lewis for her efficient, effective, and  
37 dedicated public service to the State of Georgia, congratulate her upon the grand occasion  
38 of her retirement, and extend to her their most sincere wishes for continued health and  
39 happiness.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
41 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Mrs.  
42 Gloria B. Lewis.