

House Resolution 1582

By: Representatives Stovall of the 74th, Mabra of the 63rd, Scott of the 76th, Waites of the 60th, and Glanton of the 75th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Ms. Petula Samuels-Felicien; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Ms. Petula Samuels-Felicien, a competent cricketer, scorer, umpire, and coach,
3 was an active athlete throughout her childhood and student life in Guyana; and

4 WHEREAS, she has served as Cricket Manager for two local Atlanta male teams in Georgia,
5 and her appointment as Cricket Manager in the predominantly male oriented sport was not
6 only ground breaking in Georgia but also a tribute to, and recognition of, her exceptional
7 knowledge of the game and her interpersonal and organizational skills; and

8 WHEREAS, Ms. Samuels-Felicien founded the Georgia Women Cricket Association in 2011
9 and has hosted the T20 Women's Cricket Tournament in metro Atlanta for the past six years
10 during Memorial Day weekend; the tournament attracts teams from all over the world, such
11 as New York, the Cayman Islands, Barbados, Pakistan, New Jersey, Texas, and Canada; and

12 WHEREAS, the goal of the tournament is to spur the development of women's cricket in
13 Georgia and the Southeast Region of the United States, where there are limited opportunities
14 for women to develop and display their cricketing skills; this annual event presents them with
15 a much needed platform; and

16 WHEREAS, the tournament, now sanctioned by the International Cricket Council, is highly
17 competitive and considered the premier annual women's cricket tournament in the United
18 States; and

19 WHEREAS, Ms. Samuels-Felicien's commitment and dedication to the sustainable effort of
20 women cricketers led to her being inducted into the Cricket Hall of Fame in October, 2015,
21 making her a part of a prestigious group of individuals who have all contributed to the
22 growth and development of the sport internationally; and

23 WHEREAS, she is the proud mother of three children, Tesalon, Simeon, and Shariel, all of
24 whom actively support her in her endeavors; and

25 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
26 remarkable and distinguished individual be appropriately recognized.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body commend Ms. Petula Samuels-Felicien for her contributions to the
29 sport of cricket.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of resolution available for distribution to Ms.
32 Petula Samuels-Felicien.