

House Resolution 1603

By: Representative Jones of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Lithangia Veronica Murray; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Lithangia Veronica Murray was born in Atlanta, Georgia, the beloved daughter
3 of Isaac N. Robinson, Jr., and Lithangia Shannell Robinson, and she attended St. Paul of the
4 Cross Catholic School and St. Joseph High School in Atlanta; and

5 WHEREAS, she received a bachelor's degree in public music education from Morris Brown
6 College, took graduate courses on middle school education at Georgia State University and
7 early childhood education at Mercer University, and studied for a Master of Education at
8 Cambridge College in Boston, Massachusetts; and

9 WHEREAS, Lithangia worked for the City Schools of Decatur and for Atlanta Public
10 Schools as a substitute teacher and served as president of the Parent Teacher Association at
11 the former Usher Middle School, where she established a legislative committee; and

12 WHEREAS, she has dedicated her life to advocating for seniors and children since 2009, has
13 registered people to vote through the North Georgia Labor Council and Georgia Stand Up,
14 has served as one of the top volunteers at the Harriett G. Darnell Senior Multi-purpose Center
15 since 2010, volunteers with the Meals on Wheels Atlanta Senior Companion Program, and
16 has received training on advocacy for seniors and caregiving through Fulton County and the
17 Middle Georgia Regional Commission; and

18 WHEREAS, Lithangia won the Alliance for Retired Americans' 2010 Community
19 Scholarship Award and was appointed in 2010 by Commissioner Emma I. Darnell to serve
20 on the Commission of Elderly Affairs; and

21 WHEREAS, Ms. Lorraine Cook, the former Adult Day Care Coordinator, encouraged
22 Lithangia to start a handbell group, prompting her to found the Bells of Darnell, which has

23 since performed at the Darnell Center's Christmas Gala and Black History Program as well
24 as the Reliable Rehabilitation Center; and

25 WHEREAS, Lithangia has been a facilitator on Caregiving for Senior University during
26 Older American Month, is a member of the Collier Heights Association and the Fulton
27 County Council on Aging, and volunteers as a gallery assistant and docent at the Civil and
28 Human Rights Museum; and

29 WHEREAS, a women of deep and abiding faith, she is an active member of Church Women
30 United of Cobb County, having served as its Vice President, and Cascade United Methodist
31 Church, where she participates in the Homeless Ministry, Caregivers Ministry, Psalter
32 Reading, Believers Bible Study group, and Prayer Ministry; and

33 WHEREAS, she is blessed with two remarkable children, Alfonso and Ave, and two
34 wonderful grandchildren, Tatum and Justin.

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
36 the members of this body recognize Lithangia Veronica Murray for her outstanding
37 accomplishments and contributions to the State of Georgia and wish her continued health and
38 happiness.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
40 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
41 Lithangia Veronica Murray.