

House Resolution 1715

By: Representatives Mitchell of the 88th, Jones of the 62nd, and Mayo of the 84th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Veronica Campbell-Brown; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Veronica Campbell-Brown is a seven-time Olympic Medalist and an 11-time
- 3 world championship medalist; and
- 4 WHEREAS, she was born and raised in rural Jamaica in the parish of Trelawny, and in 2006,
- 5 she earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville; and
- 6 WHEREAS, in 1999, she became the first female to win the World Youth Games 100-meter
- 7 title and later the first female to win the 100-meter and the 200-meter at the same World
- 8 Junior Championships; and
- 9 WHEREAS, at the 2004 Olympic Games in Athens, Ms. Campbell-Brown won the bronze
- 10 medal for the 100-meter and the gold medal for the 200-meter and relay, all of which earned
- 11 her the title of the most successful Caribbean athlete at a single Olympic Games and the first
- 12 female from the Caribbean to win an Olympic sprint title; and
- 13 WHEREAS, at the 2007 World Championships, she captured the 100-meter title, becoming
- 14 the first Jamaican to win a senior global 100-meter title and the first athlete to win the full
- 15 offering of the International Association of Athlete Federation's (IAAF) sprint titles, since
- 16 she had already won the World Youth 100-meter in 1999 and the IAAF World Junior in
- 17 2000; and
- 18 WHEREAS, at the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing, Ms. Campbell-Brown became the
- 19 second woman in Olympic Games history to successfully defend her 200-meter title, and in
- 20 2009, she became the first female track athlete to be named UNESCO Champion for Sport;
- 21 and

22 WHEREAS, at the World Outdoor Championship in 2011, she won the 200-meter crown,
23 which was the only individual sprint gold outside of her possession at the World
24 Championship prior to her performance, and she also won silver medals in the 100-meter and
25 the 4x100 meter relays; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this body recognizes Ms.
27 Campbell-Brown's remarkable athletic accomplishments.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body recognize Veronica Campbell-Brown for her outstanding
30 athleticism and wish her continued success.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
33 Veronica Campbell-Brown.