

House Resolution 1731

By: Representatives Thomas of the 56th, Bruce of the 61st, and Jones of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Joyce Dorsey; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Joyce Dorsey is the President and CEO of the Fulton Atlanta Community
3 Action Authority or FACAA, and a champion in the arena of service to others; and

4 WHEREAS, for more than 38 years, she has created a successful track record that clearly
5 exemplifies a life of dedication and sincere concern for the less fortunate, and her career
6 reflects significant strides in the areas of corrections, entrepreneurship, and the nonprofit
7 sector; and

8 WHEREAS, FACAA is a nonprofit organization that annually serves as many as 30,000
9 individuals and families of Atlanta and Fulton County by helping them become
10 self-sufficient, and the organization's mission is accomplished by offering comprehensive
11 programs and services that enable program participants to emerge from economic despair,
12 prevent homelessness, and enhance educational goals for an improved quality of life; and

13 WHEREAS, in addition to keeping FACAA fiscally sound, Dr. Dorsey can also be attributed
14 with playing a key role in establishing the agency's housing development component,
15 wherein they developed two subdivisions and the Cascade Oaks apartments; and

16 WHEREAS, a highly sought-after speaker on the issues of poverty, Dr. Dorsey consistently
17 offers fresh insight on the plight of the poor; and

18 WHEREAS, she is a member of numerous boards of directors of organizations to include the
19 Georgia Community Action Authority and the National Community Action Partnership; and

20 WHEREAS, she is the beloved daughter of Reverend E.H. and Gladys Dorsey, and from a
21 young age, it was clear that she was destined to lead a life of service; and

22 WHEREAS, she holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from Spelman College, a master's
23 degree in social work from Atlanta University, and a doctorate in Biblical Studies from North
24 Carolina's College of Theology, in honor of and respect to her deceased parents; and

25 WHEREAS, she was ordained Elder in June, 2011, by Bishop Kent Branch at Pilgrim
26 Cathedral of Atlanta; and

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

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body recognize and commend Dr. Joyce Dorsey and extend best wishes
31 for continued success.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Dr.
34 Joyce Dorsey.