

House Resolution 1834

By: Representatives Hugley of the 136th, Abrams of the 89th, Mitchell of the 88th, Gardner of the 57th, Wilkerson of the 38th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Representative Dorothea "Dee" Dawkins-Haigler; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Representative Dorothea "Dee" Dawkins-Haigler dedicates her life to public
4 service through her role as an ordained minister and pastor, college educator, community
5 activist, and political strategist; and

6 WHEREAS, she is a State Representative serving her seventh term representing House
7 District 91, which covers part of DeKalb and Rockdale counties and the cities of Conyers and
8 Lithonia; and

9 WHEREAS, Representative Dawkins-Haigler serves as chair of the Georgia Legislative
10 Black Caucus and former chair of the Georgia Women's Legislative Caucus, and she serves
11 on the House Committees on Banks and Banking, Human Relations and Aging, Industry and
12 Labor, and Science and Technology; and

13 WHEREAS, she is elected an At-Large Executive Committee Member and Chaplain of the
14 National Black Caucus of State Legislators (NBCSL), she serves as the National Chaplain
15 for the National Organization of Black Elected Legislative Women, and she serves as a State
16 Director for both Women in Government and the National Council of State Legislators
17 Women's Network; and

18 WHEREAS, Representative Dawkins-Haigler is President and Owner of DDH & Associates
19 and Executive Director of TIME 1000, an organization dedicated to helping 1000 women and
20 minorities get elected to public office or receive board appointments, and she has trained
21 women from Liberia, Nigeria, Ghana, Rwanda, Gambia, and the Democratic Republic of the
22 Congo on gender issues, education, and seeking elective office; and

23 WHEREAS, she is an advocate for children and youth with an emphasis placed on those who
24 have been impacted by poverty, and this work led her to be appointed to the Juvenile Parole
25 Board for the State of South Carolina by Governor Jim Hodges, where she was the youngest
26 and first African American female to serve as chair of the board; and

27 WHEREAS, she uses her Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from South Carolina State
28 University, Master of Public Administration from Kentucky State University, Master of
29 Divinity from Tuner Seminary, ITC, and Doctorate of Divinity degrees to bridge the
30 political, public, and religious communities and help them find solutions to eradicating
31 racism, sexism, and classism; and

32 WHEREAS, Representative Dawkins-Haigler is currently completing her doctorate degree
33 in political science from Clark Atlanta University, and she is deeply involved in her
34 community, as evidenced by her involvement with Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., the
35 National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Jack and Jill of America — East Suburban Atlanta
36 Chapter, the National Council of Negro Women, the National Association of Black Political
37 Scientists, and the Eastern Star; and

38 WHEREAS, she resides in Lithonia, Georgia, with her dedicated husband, Lieutenant
39 Colonel David Haigler, Jr., and is blessed with four remarkable children, Christopher,
40 Christyn, Hannah, and Joshua, and two outstanding grandchildren, Amari and Kingston; and

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

43 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
44 the members of this body recognize and commend Representative Dorothea "Dee"
45 Dawkins-Haigler, thank her for her years of dedicated public service to the State of Georgia,
46 and extend best wishes for continued success.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
48 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
49 Representative Dorothea "Dee" Dawkins-Haigler.