

House Resolution 139

By: Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Williams of the 168th, Petrea of the 166th, Hitchens of the 161st, and Werkheiser of the 157th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and honoring the Georgia Association of Broadcasters for its public service
2 during Hurricane Matthew; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, during Hurricane Matthew in October, 2016, the Georgia Association of
4 Broadcasters, which comprises over 300 members, worked tireless hours to provide
5 exhaustive coverage of the natural disaster; and

6 WHEREAS, this prestigious association of television and radio professionals was able to
7 keep its watchers and listeners updated on storm developments, evacuation procedures, and
8 available emergency resources, effectively mitigating damage and panic; and

9 WHEREAS, many members covered stories on how to utilize resources, find temporary
10 housing, and obtain insurance coverage after the storm; and

11 WHEREAS, member stations were able to raise more than \$125,000 in charity donations for
12 the Hurricane Matthew Relief fund; and

13 WHEREAS, countless lives were saved because of the efforts of the Georgia Association of
14 Broadcasters, and it is fully deserving of the recognition it has received for its crucial service
15 to the public.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
17 the members of this body recognize and honor the Georgia Association of Broadcasters for
18 going above and beyond in its duties during Hurricane Matthew.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
20 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
21 Georgia Association of Broadcasters.