

## House Resolution 253

By: Representatives Mosby of the 83<sup>rd</sup> and Stephenson of the 90<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Gaynell H. Miller on the occasion of her retirement; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Gaynell H. Miller retired in 2016 as Vice President, Patient Care Services, at  
4 Grady Health System; and

5 WHEREAS, she served as an executive responsible for nursing operations both at the  
6 divisional and corporate level as well as providing administrative, organizational, and  
7 educational leadership for the Division of Patient Care Services; and

8 WHEREAS, a native of Georgia, she began her career as a staff nurse in the Emergency  
9 Department 44 years ago and holds a nursing diploma from Grady Memorial Hospital School  
10 of Nursing and Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees from Georgia State  
11 University; and

12 WHEREAS, during her tenure at Grady, she has had various roles that include executive,  
13 administrative, and leadership responsibility for several departments including the emergency  
14 department, critical care department, medical-surgical department, women services,  
15 perioperative services, sickle cell center, employee health services, urgent care center, triage  
16 center, advice nurse center, nursing quality and education, nurse recruitment, nurse staffing,  
17 hemodialysis, and nursing operations; and

18 WHEREAS, she worked closely with other key health system leaders, physicians, and staff  
19 to champion and implement key initiatives to support patient care and hospital operations;  
20 and

21 WHEREAS, Gaynell was recognized for her work in Emergency Department improvement,  
22 patient throughput, improving the patient's experience, Operating Room improvement,

23 nursing productivity, agency elimination, new program development and implementation,  
24 nurse recruitment, and regulatory readiness compliance; and

25 WHEREAS, among her many accomplishments, she developed several of the innovative  
26 strategies that led to Grady receiving multiple National Medals of Honor from the  
27 Department of Health and Human Services for its successful Organ Donation Program; and

28 WHEREAS, she is a member of several professional organizations, has been the recipient  
29 of several awards and honors, has made national and local presentations, has served as  
30 co-author of publications, and is active in her church and community; and

31 WHEREAS, Gaynell is also a member of the Life Link of Georgia Advisory Board and the  
32 Advisory Councils for the Gordon State College Nursing Program and Studer Group Patient  
33 Call Manager; and

34 WHEREAS, she also volunteers by serving as the American Heart Association Team Captain  
35 and received the Top Heart Walker Award for four years in a row, coordinates community  
36 health and wellness fairs, and served on the Atlanta Women's Foundation planning  
37 committee for its annual luncheon and fundraising event; and

38 WHEREAS, in addition to her role as a career woman, her other roles include being a  
39 devoted wife to her husband, Joseph, mother, grandmother to one, daughter, sister, and  
40 deaconess in her church; and when she is not busy working, she enjoys being active in her  
41 church, reading, traveling, going to the movies, plays, concerts and sporting events, playing  
42 cards and spending time with her family; and

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

45 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
46 the members of this body recognize and commend Gaynell H. Miller for her efficient,  
47 effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia; congratulate her  
48 upon the grand occasion of her retirement; and extend the most sincere best wishes for  
49 continued health and happiness.

50 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
51 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
52 Gaynell H. Miller.