

House Resolution 789

By: Representatives Thomas of the 56th, Alexander of the 66th, Jones of the 53rd, Abrams of the 89th, Hugley of the 136th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Brenda Wood for her outstanding career and success; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Brenda Wood is a veteran broadcast journalist who has devoted innumerable
3 hours of her time, talents, and energy to reporting and anchoring the news in the south for
4 the past 37 years; and
- 5 WHEREAS, born in Washington, D.C., Brenda is a summa cum laude graduate of Loma
6 Linda University in Riverside, California, where she received her bachelor's degree in speech
7 communication and mass media; and
- 8 WHEREAS, in 1977, Brenda began her career with WAAY-TV in Huntsville, Alabama,
9 where she soon became an anchor; later spent eight years as an anchor for WMC-TV in
10 Memphis, Tennessee; moved to Atlanta in 1988 to join the news team at WAGATV; and
11 joined WXIA-TV in Atlanta in 1997; and
- 12 WHEREAS, during the course of her distinguished career, she has gained the respect and
13 admiration of viewers in every market in which she has served and has received distinction
14 and numerous accolades, including but not limited to 18 Emmy Awards from the National
15 Academy of Television Arts and Sciences and four awards from the Georgia Association of
16 Broadcasters; and
- 17 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentlewoman also has a long and consistent record of service
18 to the community and this state and has been recognized for her involvement with local
19 schools and youth groups as well as with a wide range of civic and humanitarian
20 organizations including The Atlanta Community Food Bank, Habitat for Humanity, and The
21 American Cancer Society; and
- 22 WHEREAS, in addition to her demanding career, Brenda is blessed with two remarkable
23 daughters, Kristen Wood Burke and Kandis Wood Jackson; and

24 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
25 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be further recognized.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
27 the members of this body commend Brenda Wood for her outstanding career and success and
28 express gratitude for her many contributions to the State of Georgia.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
30 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
31 Brenda Wood.