

House Resolution 1800

By: Representatives Gonzalez of the 117th and Wallace of the 119th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Broderick Flanigan; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Broderick Flanigan has dedicated his life to art, entrepreneurship, and service
3 to his community and tirelessly advocates for political, social, and economic justice for
4 African Americans; and
- 5 WHEREAS, he has dozens of solo, juried, and exhibitions of his work; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Broderick was selected as a March Artist of the Month for House District 117
7 for his inspiring murals that can be found across Athens from church walls to elementary
8 school halls, and his paintings have been commissioned by both private individuals and
9 public institutions; and
- 10 WHEREAS, after graduating from Georgia Southern in 2011, Broderick opened his first
11 shop, Flanigan's Portrait Studio, in the heart of historic Athens, and his business acumen has
12 allowed him to open a second enterprise, Enlightened Media Productions, which serves
13 underrepresented minority businesses in Athens by helping to build their brand and provides
14 operating consultation; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Broderick has dedicated his life to serving others as evidenced by his Harps
16 Mural Program which teaches and empowers youth through public mural art projects, his
17 youth and adult art classes at his studio, and his volunteer work for Chess and Community,
18 the Clarke County Mentor Program, and multiple after-school and teaching programs during
19 his time in Athens; and
- 20 WHEREAS, he has been deeply involved in civic life at the intersection of art and activism,
21 serving as a former board member of the Lyndon House Art Foundation and as a former
22 board member of the Athens Area Art Council; and

23 WHEREAS, Broderick Flanigan has been the recipient of several awards for both his work
24 and advocacy, including Mentor of the Year for the Clarke County Mentor Program, the All
25 Love Solidarity Award, and the Citizen of the Year Award from the Omega Psi Phi
26 Fraternity; and

27 WHEREAS, his grants include the Linda Kelly Foundation Award, Athfest Educates, the
28 Classic Center Cultural Arts Foundation grant, and the Athens Cultural Affairs Commission.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body recognize and commend Broderick Flanigan for his continued
31 commitment to art, advocacy, and service to others.

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
34 Broderick Flanigan.