

## House Resolution 227

By: Representatives Allen of the 40<sup>th</sup>, Anulewicz of the 42<sup>nd</sup>, Thomas of the 39<sup>th</sup>, Smith of the 41<sup>st</sup>, and Wilkerson of the 38<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 23, 2019, as the First Annual Black Heritage Celebration in Smyrna,  
2 Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the First Annual Black Heritage Celebration will be held in Smyrna to embrace  
4 the diversity and understanding of heritages in Smyrna; and

5 WHEREAS, this program will include the celebration of the history of African Americans  
6 in Smyrna with a theme of "unity in the community"; and

7 WHEREAS, this will be the first of several heritage events to be presented in 2019  
8 celebrating the diversity in Smyrna; and

9 WHEREAS, this historic event will be hosted by Councilwoman Maryline Blackburn, the  
10 first African American person elected to the City Council of Smyrna; and

11 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the rich history of African Americans in  
12 Smyrna be appropriately recognized with this magnificent celebration.

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
14 the members of this body recognize February 23, 2019, as the First Annual Black Heritage  
15 Celebration in Smyrna, Georgia.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
17 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to  
18 Councilwoman Maryline Blackburn, the public, and the press.