

House Resolution 1204

By: Representatives Stovall of the 74th, Burnough of the 77th, Schofield of the 60th, Scott of the 76th, and Jones of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mattie Louise Middlebrooks Hartsfield; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mattie Louise Middlebrooks Hartsfield has long been recognized by the citizens
4 of this state for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal
5 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Mattie has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her
7 time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state, as evidenced
8 dramatically by her superlative service on behalf of her fellow citizens; and

9 WHEREAS, in 1970, she began to fulfill her mission and ministry for humanitarianism by
10 urging her fellow community members to become more engaged with city government,
11 which led to her becoming an advisory board member and advocating for equal and fair
12 opportunities for employment, quiet enjoyment of community activities, and funding for both
13 black and white citizens; and

14 WHEREAS, Mattie worked with The Zayre Company and Kmart for a combined 34 years
15 and the Clayton County NAACP, and she served as the ILGWU union president for 29 years,
16 a role which allowed her to expand her knowledge of work ethics and human work rights and
17 help many coworkers deal with unfair treatment in the workplace; and

18 WHEREAS, later in life, she has served with various organizations, such as Unity in the
19 Community of Forest Park, The Concerned Citizens of Forest Park, and Forest Chapel
20 Mothers Ministry; and

21 WHEREAS, Mattie's significant organizational and leadership talents, remarkable patience
22 and diplomacy, keen sense of vision, and sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this state
23 have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and associates; and

24 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
25 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

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

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body recognize and commend Mattie Louise Middlebrooks Hartsfield
30 for her efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia and
31 extend the most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

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 Mattie Louise Middlebrooks Hartsfield.