

## House Resolution 1556

By: Representatives Alexander of the 66<sup>th</sup>, Bruce of the 61<sup>st</sup>, Gravley of the 67<sup>th</sup>, Boddie of the 62<sup>nd</sup>, and Collins of the 68<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Judge Barbara H. Caldwell on her outstanding public service;  
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Judge Barbara H. Caldwell has long been recognized by the citizens of this state  
4 for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the  
5 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,  
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state as a judge, a champion  
8 of youth and families, and a woman of faith; and

9 WHEREAS, the work of the church is the love of her life; she is a faithful and active member  
10 of Mount Zion Baptist Church and founder of a community outreach ministry, Women and  
11 Men in the Word; and

12 WHEREAS, Judge Caldwell is the founder of Higher Standards Foundation Inc., her vision  
13 for a nonprofit faith-based organization that works collaboratively with schools, churches,  
14 local prisons, and community services to provide charitable and educational service activities  
15 that benefit families and youth with a strong emphasis toward ex-offenders; and

16 WHEREAS, Judge Caldwell's significant organizational and leadership talents, remarkable  
17 patience and diplomacy, keen sense of vision, and sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of  
18 this state have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and associates; and

19 WHEREAS, she was appointed to her judgeship on October 20, 1984; she has used her  
20 position to be a stellar mentor with the Douglas County Sheriff's Making a Change Early  
21 Youth Program and works with Youth Against Violence, Carrie Steele-Pitts Home, Local  
22 Ombudsman School, and the Legacy Club; and

23 WHEREAS, Judge Caldwell has received several awards, honors, and distinctions for her  
24 involvement in her community, including the 2009 Distinguished Public Service Award and  
25 2016 Servant Leadership Award, having February 19 declared Barbara H. Caldwell Day in  
26 Douglasville, and being an inaugural honoree of the NAACP 2019 Freedom Ball; and

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

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

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
34 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Judge  
35 Barbara H. Caldwell.