

House Resolution 1581

By: Representatives Cannon of the 58th, Bennett of the 94th, Scott of the 76th, Beverly of the 143rd, Anulewicz of the 42nd, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Barbara Jean Johnson; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Barbara Jean Johnson on February 4, 2020; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Barbara Jean Johnson was born on September 9, 1936, in Hogansville, Georgia,
5 a beloved daughter of J. Ernest and Mildred C. Johnson; and
- 6 WHEREAS, after purchasing a home in Piedmont Heights in 1972, she joined the Piedmont
7 Heights Civic Association, where she served for 34 years and chaired many committees and
8 task forces; and
- 9 WHEREAS, over her superb professional career, Barbara Jean Johnson fought to improve
10 quality and fairness in all levels of public and private education; she worked on the Southern
11 Regional Education Board, Southern Education Foundation, and National Association of
12 State Universities and Land Grant Colleges; and
- 13 WHEREAS, as further testament to her dedication to the community, she diligently worked
14 to raise money and complete service projects for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Hope
15 for Heroes, and Easter Seals Disability Services; and
- 16 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern
17 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to
18 her family and friends were admired by others; and
- 19 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
20 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made of her life,
21 she made this world a better place in which to live; and

22 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Barbara Jean Johnson will long be
23 remembered for her love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who
24 had the great fortune of knowing her.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Barbara Jean Johnson and
27 express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
29 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
30 family of Barbara Jean Johnson.