

House Resolution 561

By: Representative Mitchell of the 88<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Jaye Mia Sanford; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of the state's most distinguished  
3 citizens with the passing of Jaye Mia Sanford; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Jaye Mia Sanford was born on January 14, 1968, in Atlanta, Georgia, to the late  
5 Sterrs and Annie Laura Cameron Johnson and died on November 22, 2020; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Jaye Mia graduated with honors from Frederick Douglass High School in 1986  
7 and Spelman College in 1990, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts in English literature, as  
8 well as the University of Georgia in 1993, where she earned a Master of Arts in mass  
9 communications with a public relations concentration; and
- 10 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage to her husband, Brandon Kennedy Sanford,  
11 in 1996, and they were blessed with two beautiful children, Skyler Jayden and Jason  
12 Kennedy Sanford; she was the daughter-in-law of DeKalb dignitaries Bobbie K. Sanford and  
13 the late Porter Sanford III; and

14 WHEREAS, Jaye Mia dedicated 23 years of her professional career at UPS as a  
15 communications specialist, communications supervisor, and healthcare communications  
16 manager, where she drove communications, fulfillment, voluntary benefits, and the corporate  
17 wellness program; throughout her tenure with UPS, Jaye Mia demonstrated strong leadership  
18 skills, commitment to the company, and dedication to work teams; and

19 WHEREAS, Jaye Mia was a member of many organizations, including the Stone Mountain  
20 Chapter of Jack and Jill of America Inc., a membership organization of mothers with children  
21 ages two to 19 dedicated to nurturing future African American leaders by strengthening  
22 children through leadership development, volunteer service, philanthropic giving, and civic  
23 duty, which she joined in 2014; during her six-year Jack and Jill tenure, Jaye Mia served as  
24 the chapter editor, as a chapter's 30th anniversary chair, and as a grade group sponsor; and

25 WHEREAS, Jaye Mia also volunteered for the American Red Cross, Project Open Hand, and  
26 the United Way and was affiliated with Skyler's DanceMakers Company; and

27 WHEREAS, Jaye Mia was a sweet spirit committed to balancing the work-life challenges  
28 from sunrise to sunset for the love of her family; and

29 WHEREAS, Jaye Mia carried herself with class, confidence, kindness, and love, and she was  
30 a true blessing to her family and her community.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
32 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Jaye Mia Sanford and  
33 express their deepest and most sincere condolences at her untimely passing.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
35 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
36 family of Jaye Mia Sanford.