

House Resolution 272

By: Representatives Bentley of the 150th, Paris of the 142nd, McCollum of the 30th, Ehrhart of the 36th, and Beverly of the 143rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Starr Hutchings Purdue; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, funeral director and president of Hutchings Funeral Home Inc. in Macon,
3 Georgia, Starr Hutchings Purdue is a 2023 recipient of the Career Women's Network Women
4 of Achievement Award; and
- 5 WHEREAS, during her distinguished career, she has served as manager of trust investments
6 for Florida Power Corporation and its parent company, Florida Progress Corporation, where
7 she had oversight of approximately \$1 billion in defined benefit and defined contribution
8 plan assets and other trust funds; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Starr Hutchings Purdue currently serves as board chair for Atrium Health
10 Navicent as well as a member of the board of directors of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg
11 Hospital Authority in Charlotte, North Carolina; and
- 12 WHEREAS, she has received the Distinguished Service Award from the Georgia Hospital
13 Association for her significant contributions to improving health care in Georgia; and

14 WHEREAS, she further serves on several boards within the Macon-Bibb community as well
15 as treasurer for the National Funeral Directors and Morticians Association Inc. and state
16 treasurer for the Georgia Funeral Service Practitioners Association Inc.; and

17 WHEREAS, Starr Hutchings Purdue has been a role model for young girls and young
18 women as well as a role model for women of color in both the accounting and funeral
19 professions; and

20 WHEREAS, she has served her community and state with honor and distinction, and her
21 vision and unyielding commitment to excellence have set the standard for public service; and

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

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body recognize and commend Starr Hutchings Purdue for her many
26 wonderful contributions on behalf of her fellow Georgians and extend sincere best wishes
27 for future health and happiness.

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 Starr
30 Hutchings Purdue.