

Senate Resolution 510

By: Senators Mallow of the 2nd and Sims of the 12th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Melody Michelle Coburn; 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 Melody Michelle Coburn on January 1, 2024; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Melody Michelle Coburn was born in Brooklyn, New York, on October 12,
- 5 1980, to Evondale and Juanita Muñoz Coburn; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the daughter of a veteran, Melody spent most of her formative years in
- 7 Hinesville, Georgia, where she graduated from Bradwell Institute; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she pursued a Bachelor of Science at Savannah State University where she
- 9 majored in Business Administration and was a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., and
- 10 continued on to receive her master's in Human Resources Management from the University
- 11 of Phoenix; and
- 12 WHEREAS, she worked as a higher education professional for over a decade and was most
- 13 recently employed by Georgia State University; and

14 WHEREAS, she was an avid fitness enthusiast who in recent years became a fitness coach,
15 a transformative bodybuilding competitor, and known to many, affectionately, as Coach
16 Marley Mel; and

17 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Melody Coburn was dedicated at Grace
18 United Methodist Church in Brooklyn in 1981 and baptized at First Calvary Missionary
19 Baptist Church in Hinesville in 2000; and

20 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern
21 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to
22 her family and friends were admired by others; and

23 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
24 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made of her life,
25 she made this world a better place in which to live; and

26 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Melody Coburn will long be
27 remembered for her love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who
28 had the great fortune of knowing her.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
30 join in honoring the life and memory of Melody Michelle Coburn and express their deepest
31 and most sincere regret at her passing.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
33 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of
34 Melody Michelle Coburn.