

Senate Resolution 597

By: Senators James of the 35th and Rhett of the 33rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Queen Ahneva Ahneva; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, it is with great honor and admiration that we recognize Queen Ahneva Ahneva
3 for her outstanding dedication and tireless efforts in building the African Textile Museum,
4 a testament to her unwavering love for African culture and her remarkable commitment to
5 preserving and promoting the indigenous textiles of Africa; and

6 WHEREAS, Queen Ahneva Ahneva has demonstrated an unparalleled passion for Africa and
7 its people, tirelessly traveling across the continent, immersing herself in various countries to
8 learn about indigenous textiles, and paying homage to the diverse and rich cultural tapestry
9 that defines the continent; and

10 WHEREAS, her relentless pursuit of knowledge and her deep respect for African textiles
11 have not only elevated the art form but have also served as a beacon of inspiration,
12 empowering communities and educating people about the beauty and significance of these
13 textiles as well as bringing Africa's cultural heritage to the forefront for those who may never
14 have had the opportunity to experience it; and

15 WHEREAS, Queen Ahneva Ahneva has ingeniously integrated these indigenous textiles into
16 her own luxury brand, using her platform to showcase the exquisite beauty and craftsmanship
17 of African textiles, thereby glorifying and preserving these traditions while providing
18 economic opportunities for the communities that produce them; and

19 WHEREAS, her dedication and hard work have not only empowered the creators and
20 artisans but have also served to elevate and educate countless individuals, demonstrating a
21 deep commitment to sharing her knowledge and expertise with the world; and

22 WHEREAS, her willingness to venture into the bush to seek out these textiles, her passion
23 for learning about different cultures and countries across Africa, and her unwavering
24 commitment to returning to the United States to share this vast knowledge with her
25 community have exemplified her remarkable dedication and expertise; and

26 WHEREAS, her exemplary efforts have resulted in the establishment of an enduring
27 institution in the form of the African Textile Museum, which will stand as a beacon of
28 knowledge and inspiration for generations to come and serve as a testament to her vision and
29 dedication to preserving and celebrating the cultural heritage of Africa for our children's
30 children.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
32 recognize and commend Queen Ahneva Ahneva for her remarkable work as well as
33 congratulate her upon the establishment of the African Textile Museum as a lasting legacy
34 that will continue to enrich and inspire generations to come.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
36 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Queen Ahneva
37 Ahneva.