

House Resolution 1340

By: Representatives Bazemore of the 69th, Adeyina of the 110th, Okoye of the 102nd, and Olaleye of the 59th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Stephen Adébánji Akintóye; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Professor Stephen Adébánji “Banji” Akintóye is an eminent African scholar,
3 academic and author from Nigeria, and leading African historian with famous works in the
4 history of the Yorubá people of southwestern Nigeria in West Africa; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Professor Akintóye started his teaching career in African History at Obafemi
6 Awolowo University, in Ile-Ife, Nigeria in 1966; and
- 7 WHEREAS, in 1967, Professor Akintóye began teaching a course in the history of the United
8 States of America to students at the university, later earning him the recognition of the
9 United States government and several opportunities to speak at prestigious universities in
10 America; and
- 11 WHEREAS, by 1974, he was elevated to full professorship of African History and appointed
12 the Director of the Institute of African Studies at Obafemi Awolowo University; and

13 WHEREAS, Professor Akintóye has long been dedicated to constrictive international affairs,
14 promoting rational solutions to the problems of disunity, instability, insecurity and poverty
15 confronting the countries of Sub-Saharan Africa; and

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
17 the members of this body recognize and commend Stephen Adébánji Akintóye and extend
18 best wishes for his continued health and happiness.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
20 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
21 Stephen Adébánji Akintóye.