

House Resolution 1322

By: Representatives Adeyina of the 110th, Kendrick of the 95th, Ali of the 106th, Beckles of the 96th, Carter of the 93rd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the Snellville Youth Council; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the Snellville Youth Council (SYC), formerly known as the Snellville Youth
3 Commission, was founded in 2016 by former Snellville Councilwoman Cristy Lenski to
4 provide high school students with a structured pathway into civic life and local government;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, SYC serves as a formal connection between youth voices and city leadership,
7 creating a consistent and intentional space for students to share ideas, offer feedback, and
8 contribute to the community in meaningful and organized ways; and

9 WHEREAS, SYC members gain an understanding of how municipal government operates,
10 how public policy is shaped, and how community priorities are identified and addressed;
11 students also develop essential professional competencies, including public speaking,
12 professional communication, teamwork, meeting protocol, project planning, and community
13 engagement; and

14 WHEREAS, through guided leadership development, hand-on research, and exposure to
15 civic processes, SYC moves students beyond volunteering toward an understanding of how
16 sustainable impact is created through planning, collaboration, and civic responsibility; and

17 WHEREAS, a defining milestone in SYC's legacy is the leadership and development of
18 Unity Day, a student-led Juneteenth celebration founded to center Black culture within
19 Snellville's public civic space; and

20 WHEREAS, SYC members have also participated in leadership and civic symposiums and
21 intergovernmental discussions that broaden dialogue on race, equity, and youth leadership
22 beyond the local level; and

23 WHEREAS, the Snellville Youth Council is currently led by Esther Ndewa, Youth Director,
24 alongside Daye Kebe, Student Mayor, and Abdulbasit Kolawole, Student Vice Mayor; and

25 WHEREAS, Advisory Board members include Richelle Brown, Natalya Bryant, Rodney
26 Lumpkins, Vickie Mitchell, and Richard Varnell; and

27 WHEREAS, the 2025-2026 Snellville Youth Council members include Magi Abdulwahab,
28 Kanyin Akinwande, Daniella Amuzu, Hilina Assefa, Robel Ayele, Hebron Daniel, Joseph
29 Daniel, Robel Daniel, Sophia Delatorre, Tsaijy Fils, Eden Giday, Jenrola Hazeez, Amira
30 Hilowle, Daye Kebe, Jasmine Kitt, Abdulbasit Kolawole, Mya Lumpkins, Drew Minus,
31 Omolola Ogunjemilusi, Precious Oloyede, Chinelo Onwudinjor, Blessing Onyeonula, Amina
32 Osman, Serenity Shaw, Laoki Siripanhya, David Thompson, Hieu Tran, Miranda Villegas,
33 Abigail Wesane, Thomas Woudneh, Maisie Wreh, and Amy Zaraza; and

34 WHEREAS, through continued civic education, service, and strategic partnerships, SYC
35 remains committed to ensuring that the City of Snellville continues to cultivate informed,
36 engaged, and prepared future leaders.

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
38 the members of this body recognize the Snellville Youth Council and extend best wishes for
39 its continued growth and success.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
41 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
42 Snellville Youth Council.