

House Resolution 1430

By: Representative Kendrick of the 95th

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating and commending Melissa Walker for receiving the 2026 Yellow Rose Nikki
2 T. Randall Servant Leader Award; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in 1999, Representative Nikki T. Randall became the first African American
4 female elected to the General Assembly from middle Georgia, and over her 17 years of
5 service as a legislator, she held numerous leadership positions, including chair of the Georgia
6 Women's Legislative Caucus; and

7 WHEREAS, every year during Women's History Month, the Georgia Women's Legislative
8 Caucus recognizes outstanding women in Georgia who exemplify the leadership and
9 inspiration embodied by Representative Randall; and

10 WHEREAS, a dedicated leader and community advocate, Melissa Walker has transformed
11 the lives of those in her community during her service as an educator and co-founder of
12 Centerville Highway Corridor LLC; and

13 WHEREAS, through its educational initiatives, this remarkable organization successfully
14 empowered citizens to speak up about the effects of potential rezoning, ensuring that they
15 were able to take part in decisions affecting their lives and communities; and

16 WHEREAS, Melissa's passion for her community further includes active engagement in
17 championing literacy at Shiloh Middle School and through expanding access to Little Free
18 Libraries; and

19 WHEREAS, she is a woman of unassuming greatness whose humble acts of kindness and
20 generosity have uplifted the community in Gwinnett County; and

21 WHEREAS, Melissa has established a glowing reputation of renown throughout Georgia for
22 her deep commitment to the literacy and civic engagement of her fellow citizens; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
24 extraordinary servant leader be appropriately recognized.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body congratulate and commend Melissa Walker for receiving the 2026
27 Yellow Rose Nikki T. Randall Servant Leadership Award and extend best wishes for her
28 continued success.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
30 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
31 Melissa Walker.