

House Resolution 82

By: Representatives Scott of the 76th, Mitchell of the 88th, Kendrick of the 93rd, Taylor of the 91st, Carter of the 92nd, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Martha Gleason Bryan Luten; 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 Martha Gleason Bryan Luten on December 24, 2020; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Martha Gleason Bryan Luten was born on March 27, 1931, in Savannah,
- 5 Georgia, a beloved daughter of Isaac and Sadie Davis Bryan; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, she was an active member of Speedwell
- 7 United Methodist Church who devoted her entire life to Christ and served in many roles
- 8 within the church, such as director of the Youth Choir, the Young Adult Choir, the Gospel
- 9 Choir, the Speedwell Trio, and the Male Chorus; the chairperson of the Black History
- 10 Program; a member of the United Methodist Women; and more; and
- 11 WHEREAS, after graduating from Savannah State University with a degree in mathematics,
- 12 she began her 42 year education career and tirelessly directed an extraordinary amount of
- 13 time and talent toward guiding students to a brighter future; and

14 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage to her late husband, Walter, and was
15 blessed with two remarkable children, Walter Jr. and Izetta, and many grandchildren and
16 great-grandchildren who cherished her; and

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

20 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Martha Gleason Bryan Luten will long
21 be remembered for her love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all
22 who had the great fortune of knowing her.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Martha Gleason Bryan
25 Luten and express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
28 family of Martha Gleason Bryan Luten.