

House Resolution 157

By: Representatives Howard of the 124th, Frazier of the 126th, Petrea of the 166th, Prince of the 127th, and Nelson of the 125th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Jeanette Cummings on her outstanding service as an advocate
2 for Georgia's elderly population; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Jeanette Cummings has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
4 the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the
5 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state, as evidenced
8 dramatically by her superlative service with the CSRA Regional Commission Area Agency
9 on Aging; and

10 WHEREAS, as director of the CSRA Regional Commission Area Agency on Aging, she
11 secured funding for seniors using the arts as a therapeutic experience; directed funding to
12 address hunger and the elderly through a material aide and brown bag program; and
13 established the first Area Agency on Aging Coalition of Advocates for the Aging; and

14 WHEREAS, she holds membership in myriad organizations ranging from local, state, and
15 national levels, such as the Georgia Gerontology Society, Leadership Augusta Alumni

16 Association, CSRA Coalition of Advocates for the Aging, Georgia Association of Area
17 Agencies on Aging, American Society on Aging, and others; and

18 WHEREAS, her strong promotion of person-centered empowerment and her efforts in
19 helping special populations for over 30 years has created systems of advocacy statewide to
20 support these individuals in need; and

21 WHEREAS, she has received numerous awards and accolades for her contributions,
22 including the 1993 Women of Excellence Award in Government, the 2013 Georgia
23 Gerontology Society John Tyler Mauldin Award, the 2016 NASW Lifetime Achievement
24 Award in Social Work, and many more; and

25 WHEREAS, Jeanette's significant organizational and leadership talents, remarkable patience
26 and diplomacy, keen sense of vision, and sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this state
27 have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and associates; and

28 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
29 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

30 WHEREAS, Jeanette has served with honor and distinction with the CSRA Regional
31 Commission Area Agency on Aging, and her vision and unyielding commitment to enriching
32 the quality of life for older Georgians, caregivers, and persons with disabilities have set the
33 standard for civic service; and

34 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
35 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
37 the members of this body recognize and commend Jeanette Cummings for her efficient,
38 effective, unselfish, and dedicated service to vulnerable populations in the State of Georgia
39 and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

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
42 Jeanette Cummings.