

## House Resolution 194

By: Representatives McLeod of the 105<sup>th</sup>, McClain of the 100<sup>th</sup>, Lim of the 99<sup>th</sup>, Park of the 101<sup>st</sup>, Mitchell of the 106<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Veronica Higgs Cope; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Veronica Higgs Cope was born to parents Nathan Lee Higgs Sr. and Stella  
3 Louise Malone Higgs in Tarboro, North Carolina, and was raised from very humble means;  
4 and
- 5 WHEREAS, Veronica Higgs Cope attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
6 as a Joseph E. Pogue Scholar and graduated Phi Beta Kappa with dual bachelor's degrees in  
7 political science and African and Afro-American studies; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Veronica Higgs Cope graduated from the University of North Carolina at  
9 Chapel Hill's Van Hecke-Wettach School of Law, where she served as the symposium editor  
10 of the *North Carolina Law Review*; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Veronica Higgs Cope is a loving mother to her sons, Dustin, Robin Jr., and  
12 Dawson, and is a caring daughter to her father, Nathan; and

13 WHEREAS, Veronica Higgs Cope is committed to the personal and professional growth and  
14 development of women lawyers, as evidenced by her service as the president of the Georgia  
15 Association for Women Lawyers; and

16 WHEREAS, her dedication to serving the citizens and the communities of Gwinnett County,  
17 Georgia, is apparent through her work as a charter member and officer of the Gwinnett  
18 Section of the National Council of Negro Women, as a member of the Gwinnett County  
19 Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., and as a mentor through the Gwinnett  
20 County Public Schools Mentoring Program; and

21 WHEREAS, Veronica Higgs Cope has been a faithful member of Voices of Faith Christian  
22 Ministries for over 18 years; and

23 WHEREAS, Veronica Higgs Cope has served Gwinnett County and the entire metropolitan  
24 Atlanta area as an attorney for over 19 years; and

25 WHEREAS, Veronica Higgs Cope was duly elected as a judge of the State Court of  
26 Gwinnett County in June 2020.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
28 the members of this body recognize and commend Veronica Higgs Cope for her dedicated  
29 service to the State of Georgia and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued health  
30 and happiness.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
32 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
33 Veronica Higgs Cope.