

## House Resolution 18EX

By: Representatives Gaines of the 117<sup>th</sup>, Wiedower of the 119<sup>th</sup>, and Frye of the 118<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Kathy Hoard on the grand occasion of her 70th birthday; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Kathy Hoard has served Athens-Clarke County and the University of Georgia  
4 with distinction for over four decades since moving to Athens from Atlanta with her late  
5 husband, Ed Hoard; and

6 WHEREAS, Kathy's time at the University of Georgia has been dedicated to serving her  
7 community and giving back; and

8 WHEREAS, Kathy served as an Athens City Council member and later as an Athens-Clarke  
9 County commissioner for many years; and

10 WHEREAS, following her activism and outreach in her community, Kathy was honored with  
11 the ATHENA award, which is given to exceptional individuals with the highest level of  
12 professional excellence in the Athens community. Most recently, her service to UGA Greek  
13 Life was honored through her recognition as an honorary initiate by the Order of Omega, the  
14 most prestigious Greek leadership honorary organization in the country; and

15 WHEREAS, following her husband's passing, Kathy sought a way to honor his legacy. Ed,  
16 an avid golfer and PGA professional, helped bring a character-building youth golf program  
17 to Athens called "The First Tee"; Kathy established "The First Tee" scholarship at UGA in  
18 his honor; and

19 WHEREAS, Kathy has dedicated over 40 years of service to the betterment of Athens-  
20 Clarke County, and she continues to give back and serve as a beacon in the Athens  
21 community.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
23 the members of this body commend the Honorable Kathy Hoard for her decades of public  
24 service, congratulate her on her 70th birthday, and extend their most sincere best wishes for  
25 continued health and happiness.

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 Kathy  
28 Hoard.