

House Resolution 678

By: Representative Leverett of the 123rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Kam McClary; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the Elbert County Chamber of Commerce was founded in 1924, and it is now
3 99 years old; and

4 WHEREAS, in 2020, Kam McClary took office as chairman of the Elbert County Chamber
5 of Commerce, elected to serve the standard one-year term; and

6 WHEREAS, due to the difficulties experienced during the COVID-19 pandemic of 2020 and
7 2021 and the transition between executive directors/presidents during those years, Kam
8 agreed to serve another one-year term as chairman when his first ended; and

9 WHEREAS, Kam is just one of seven chairmen in the history of the Elbert County Chamber
10 of Commerce to serve two consecutive one-year terms; and

11 WHEREAS, before being elected chairman, Kam served for one year as a board member,
12 and he will serve as the immediate past chair after his second term as chairman comes to a
13 close, thus extending his tenure as an officer to four consecutive years; and

14 WHEREAS, Kam has said that he served as a member and officer of the Elbert County
15 Chamber of Commerce to make Elbert County better by helping local businesses and trying
16 to do what he can to give to others; and

17 WHEREAS, he has also said that he hopes that his historic status as the first African
18 American chairman of the Elbert County Chamber of Commerce will inspire others to help
19 their community through service in positions of local leadership; and

20 WHEREAS, Kam is also especially proud of the chamber's new faith-based initiative to start
21 discussions with pastors and clergy from churches in Elbert County; and

22 WHEREAS, Kam's favorite moments as chairman have been recognizing the STAR student
23 and teacher at Elbert County Comprehensive High School each year, recognizing businesses
24 of the month, and holding ribbon cuttings for new businesses in the community; and

25 WHEREAS, Kam also serves on the Elberton-Elbert Memorial Hospital Authority Board and
26 Executive Committee, mentors both in the Elbert County School District and at the Mountain
27 Education Charter High School in Bowman, and serves as the pastor of New Dove Creek
28 Baptist Church; and

29 WHEREAS, Kam is married to the former Waukesha Turman, and they are the proud parents
30 of six children: Kameron McClary, Angel McClary, Taliah McClary, Dimisia McClary,
31 Destini McClary, and Chantel Thompson; and

32 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman's selfless and devoted service to the citizens and
33 businesses of Elbert County deserves high praise and thanks.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
35 the members of this body recognize and commend Kam McClary for his historic service to
36 the members of the Elbert County Chamber of Commerce and the citizens of Elbert County
37 as well as extend best wishes for future health and happiness.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
39 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Kam
40 McClary.