

House Resolution 1637

By: Representative Rhodes of the 124<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Judge LaVerne Ogletree on her outstanding public service;  
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Judge LaVerne Ogletree has long been recognized by the citizens of this state  
4 for 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 decades of superlative service as probate judge of Greene County; and

9 WHEREAS, in her role as probate judge, she oversees cases related to estates, adult and  
10 minor guardianship, and the issuance of birth and death certificates; and

11 WHEREAS, Judge LaVerne Ogletree further serves as chief magistrate, granting her  
12 criminal and civil jurisdiction in addition to her probate court duties, including issuing  
13 criminal warrants and evaluating cases for Superior Court trials; and

14 WHEREAS, as previous testament to her status as one of the State of Georgia's top probate  
15 judges, she was honored as the 1996 Outstanding Probate Judge of the Year by the Georgia  
16 Council of Probate Judges; and

17 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentlewoman has given inspiration to many through her high  
18 ideals, morals, and deep concern for her fellow citizens, and she possesses the vast wisdom  
19 which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is achieved  
20 through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

21 WHEREAS, Judge LaVerne Ogletree has served with honor and distinction, and her vision  
22 and unyielding commitment to excellence will be sorely missed upon the occasion of her  
23 retirement; and

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

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
27 the members of this body recognize and commend Judge LaVerne Ogletree for her efficient,  
28 effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia; congratulate her  
29 upon the grand occasion of her retirement; and extend the most sincere best wishes for  
30 continued health 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 Judge  
33 LaVerne Ogletree.