

## House Resolution 213

By: Representatives Schofield of the 63<sup>rd</sup>, Jackson of the 68<sup>th</sup>, Scott of the 76<sup>th</sup>, McQueen of the 61<sup>st</sup>, Burnough of the 77<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia Chapter of National Organization of Black Law Enforcement  
2 Executives (NOBLE) for its 48 years of service and recognizing March 7, 2025, as Georgia  
3 Chapter of NOBLE Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) Inc.  
5 is a not-for-profit public service organization that was founded in September 1976 when 60  
6 top-ranking Black law enforcement executives representing 24 states and 55 major cities met  
7 in Washington, D.C., and recognized that Black law enforcement executives could have a  
8 significant impact on the criminal justice system through a unified voice; and

9 WHEREAS, one of the national founding members, Atlanta Public Safety Director George  
10 Napper, was the impetus behind the formation of the Georgia Chapter in 1984; and

11 WHEREAS, the Georgia Chapter of NOBLE was created in 1984 by NOBLE members from  
12 across the State of Georgia to organize their collective efforts and to advance the goals and  
13 objectives of the organization; since then, the chapter has played an active role in promoting  
14 positive relationships between communities and criminal justice agencies; and

15 WHEREAS, the Georgia Chapter of NOBLE has provided exceptional opportunities for  
16 executive leadership training and mentorship for aspiring leaders for over three decades; and

17 WHEREAS, the Georgia Chapter of NOBLE holds the distinction of having elected nine  
18 national presidents from its ranks: Atlanta Public Safety Director George Napper, Georgia  
19 Bureau of Investigation Inspector Moses Ector, Fulton County Police Department Chief  
20 Louis Graham, Fulton County Sheriff Jackie Barrett, Atlanta Police Department Chief  
21 Richard Pennington, DeKalb County Director of Public Safety Dr. Cedric Alexander,  
22 Clayton County Schools Police Department Chief Clarence E. Cox III, Atlanta Police  
23 Department Deputy Chief Cerelyn Davis, and Atlanta Police Department Chief Rodney  
24 Bryant; and

25 WHEREAS, the Georgia Chapter of NOBLE holds the distinction of having elected Fulton  
26 County Sheriff Jackie Barrett as the first woman national president, who is also recognized  
27 as the first African American woman elected to the office of sheriff in the United States; and

28 WHEREAS, in 2022, the Georgia Chapter of NOBLE elected its first woman president in  
29 its storied history, Georgia Bureau of Investigation Deputy Director Natalie Ammons; and

30 WHEREAS, the Georgia Chapter of NOBLE is committed to building positive community  
31 partnerships and promoting progressive policy positions that protect citizen's rights and  
32 enhance the effectiveness of the criminal justice system; and

33 WHEREAS, the current agenda of the Georgia Chapter of NOBLE is governed by its guiding  
34 principles of respect, uncompromising integrity, courage of convictions, accountability,  
35 community, the value of diversity, and mentorship; and

36 WHEREAS, it is decidedly fitting and proper to recognize this exemplary organization in  
37 that it has upheld its mission to ensure equity in the administration of justice, in the provision  
38 of public service to all communities, and to serve as the conscience of law enforcement by  
39 being committed to justice by action.

40 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
41 the members of this body commend the Georgia Chapter of National Organization of Black  
42 Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) for its 48 years of service and recognize March 7,  
43 2025, as the Georgia Chapter of NOBLE Day at the state capitol.

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
45 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
46 Georgia Chapter of National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives.