

## House Resolution 277

By: Representatives Barnes of the 86<sup>th</sup>, Willis of the 55<sup>th</sup>, Crawford of the 89<sup>th</sup>, Cannon of the 58<sup>th</sup>, Holland of the 54<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Cornelius Lashon Taylor; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens  
3 with the passing of Cornelius Lashon Taylor on January 16, 2025; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Cornelius Lashon Taylor was born on October 8, 1978, in Walton County,  
5 Georgia, and for over a decade, he was a cherished presence in the Old Fourth Ward  
6 neighborhoods, particularly on Old Wheat Street; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he demonstrated a lifelong passion for the arts, expressing himself through  
8 music, poetry, and visual art, and as a young child, he had a special love for the flute, often  
9 playing melodies that resonated with his soul; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he was an avid reader who immersed himself in science fiction, murder  
11 mysteries, and rap lyrics, finding inspiration in literature and the spoken word; and
- 12 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Cornelius Lashon Taylor participated in  
13 community events and attended services at Ebenezer Baptist Church; and

14 WHEREAS, to those who knew him, he was not simply unhoused; he was a pillar of  
15 strength, a friend, and a source of inspiration; and

16 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
17 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he  
18 made this world a better place in which to live; and

19 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Cornelius Lashon Taylor will long be  
20 remembered for his love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who  
21 had the great fortune of knowing him.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
23 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Cornelius Lashon Taylor  
24 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
26 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
27 family of Cornelius Lashon Taylor.