

## House Resolution 489

By: Representatives Bennett of the 94<sup>th</sup>, Bazemore of the 69<sup>th</sup>, Cannon of the 58<sup>th</sup>, Cummings of the 39<sup>th</sup>, Buckner of the 137<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating and commending Brinca Y. McMickens for receiving the 2025 Yellow Rose  
2 Nikki T. Randall Servant Leadership Award; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in 1999, Representative Nikki T. Randall became the first African American  
4 female elected to the General Assembly from middle Georgia, and over her 17 years of  
5 service as a legislator, she held numerous leadership positions, including chair of the Georgia  
6 Women's Legislative Caucus; and

7 WHEREAS, every year during Women's History Month, the Georgia Women's Legislative  
8 Caucus recognizes outstanding women in Georgia who exemplify the leadership and  
9 inspiration embodied by Representative Randall; and

10 WHEREAS, Brinca Y. McMickens is a woman of unassuming greatness whose humble acts  
11 of kindness and generosity have uplifted the entire country; and

12 WHEREAS, at age 11, Brinca successfully advocated for the creation of the Minority to  
13 Majority Program in Georgia, allowing students to attend schools outside of their districts,  
14 and she was chosen by Governor Jimmy Carter to represent Georgia in Boston,  
15 Massachusetts, as a spokesperson to encourage the integration of public schools; and

16 WHEREAS, in 1999, Brinca advocated for the Olmstead Law, affirming the rights of  
17 individuals with mental health conditions and intellectual disabilities to live in their  
18 communities; and

19 WHEREAS, Brinca has led numerous community initiatives, including organizing block  
20 parties to promote voter participation; partnering with Lady T's Homeless Ministry to provide  
21 meals for more than 900 unhoused individuals each week; sponsoring a pocketbook drive  
22 that distributed over 200 purses filled with personal hygiene items to homeless girls, women,  
23 and children; and coordinating a winter hat drive that provided over 100 personally knitted  
24 warm caps to unhoused individuals; and

25 WHEREAS, she has established a glowing reputation of renown throughout Georgia for her  
26 leadership as a board member for New Kids Productions, as chair of the Lithonia Community  
27 District, and as creator of "The Equalizer," a community advocacy and activism podcast; and

28 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
29 extraordinary servant leader be appropriately recognized.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
31 the members of this body congratulate and commend Brinca Y. McMickens for receiving the  
32 2025 Yellow Rose Nikki T. Randall Servant Leadership Award and extend best wishes for  
33 her continued success.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
35 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
36 Brinca Y. McMickens.