

## House Resolution 584

By: Representatives Lim of the 98<sup>th</sup>, Beckles of the 96<sup>th</sup>, Clark of the 108<sup>th</sup>, McClain of the 109<sup>th</sup>, and Park of the 107<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the 85 Community Development Corporation and Executive  
2 Director Frank Lee; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the 85 Community Development Corporation (85CDC) was founded in 2022  
4 by Executive Director Frank Lee to serve diverse immigrant communities along Interstate  
5 85 in northeast metro Atlanta through culturally and linguistically appropriate services,  
6 economic stability programs, and community-driven development initiatives; and

7 WHEREAS, Executive Director Frank Lee wields extensive experience in community  
8 planning, transit equity, and federal grant management, previously working with nonprofit  
9 organizations in Los Angeles' Koreatown and Little Tokyo before returning to Atlanta to  
10 serve as a municipal planner and later as director of transportation for a local nonprofit,  
11 where he led the nation's first multilingual and culturally sensitive micro transit service; and

12 WHEREAS, since its founding, 85CDC has played a critical role in supporting immigrant  
13 communities in metro Atlanta, particularly in Gwinnett County, by prioritizing the hiring and  
14 training of multicultural, bilingual staff from within the community to ensure meaningful  
15 engagement with limited-English-proficient residents; and

16 WHEREAS, in 2024, 85CDC served 516 clients through its core programs, which included  
17 social services, legal services navigation, English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)  
18 education, free tax preparation, and small business assistance, significantly contributing to  
19 the well-being of local residents; and

20 WHEREAS, in addition to direct services, 85CDC has strengthened community resilience  
21 through initiatives such as community cleanups, artist workshops, Occupational Safety and  
22 Health Administration (OSHA) training, and parent engagement programs; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this distinguished organization and civil  
24 leader be appropriately honored during this special time.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
26 the members of this body recognize and commend the 85 Community Development  
27 Corporation and Executive Director Frank Lee for their dedication to advancing community  
28 self-determination and equitable growth as well as extend best wishes for continued success.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
30 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
31 85 Community Development Corporation and Executive Director Frank Lee.