

House Resolution 737

By: Representatives Davis of the 87th, Mitchell of the 88th, Kendrick of the 95th, Drenner of the 85th, and Carter of the 93rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Marvin F. Billups Jr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Marvin F. Billups Jr. has dedicated over 21 years of service to DeKalb County,
3 Georgia, contributing significantly to the county's Parks and Recreation Department through
4 his roles as deputy director and interim director; and
- 5 WHEREAS, as deputy director, he has managed the comprehensive planning and research
6 activities for a department serving more than 700,000 residents, overseeing business systems,
7 resource management, and departmental coordination across multiple divisions; and
- 8 WHEREAS, during his tenure as interim director from 2016 to 2018, he played a critical role
9 in the development and direction of department programs, policies, and financial resources,
10 managing capital improvement initiatives, applying for grants, and serving as a
11 representative to various governmental organizations and citizens' groups; and
- 12 WHEREAS, in addition to his leadership roles, he has provided strategic support to the
13 director of Parks and Recreation, performing in-depth research and analysis to enhance
14 internal operations, improve service delivery, and ensure resource efficiency; and

15 WHEREAS, his professional contributions extend beyond DeKalb County to include service
16 in national and regional organizations such as the National Recreation and Park Association,
17 where he has held leadership roles such as president, Board of Trustees member, and chair
18 of the National Forum; and

19 WHEREAS, a dedicated member of his community and professional field, he has
20 additionally served on the Maryland State Park Advisory Commission, the Georgia Board
21 of Natural Resources, and on the Board of Directors for the Family League of Baltimore and
22 Safe and Sound; and

23 WHEREAS, in recognition of his devoted leadership, extraordinary contributions, and lasting
24 impact on the field of Parks and Recreation, he has received awards from the National Park
25 Service, the Georgia Recreation and Park Society, and the American Park and Recreation
26 Society; and

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

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body recognize and commend Marvin F. Billups Jr. for his efficient,
31 effective, unselfish, and dedicated service to DeKalb County, Georgia, as well as extend the
32 most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
34 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
35 Marvin F. Billups Jr.