

House Resolution 906

By: Representatives Henderson of the 113th, Lupton of the 83rd, and Gilliard of the 162nd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Burnelle Henderson; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Burnelle Henderson was born on January 25, 1930, in Mecklenburg County,
3 Virginia, a beloved daughter of Jack and Jugurtha Carrington; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Burnelle Henderson was educated in the Mecklenburg School System and
5 graduated from West End High School on June 7, 1949, becoming the first and only among
6 her siblings to complete high school; and
- 7 WHEREAS, after receiving her nursing certificate, she cared for the elderly and babies in
8 Virginia and Washington, D.C., area hospitals before working at the Western Electric
9 Telephone Company in Arlington, retiring at the age of 55; and
- 10 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Burnelle Henderson was a devoted member
11 of Cedar Grove, faithfully supporting the church with her tithes for over 50 years regardless
12 of the distance or other congregations she attended; and

13 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage for 68 years to her husband, Victor, and
14 they were blessed with four remarkable children, including two wonderful sons and two
15 beloved daughters; and

16 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern
17 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to
18 her family and friends were admired by others; and

19 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
20 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made of her life,
21 she made this world a better place in which to live; and

22 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Burnelle Henderson will long be
23 remembered for her love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who
24 had the great fortune of knowing her.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Burnelle Henderson and
27 express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
29 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
30 family of Burnelle Henderson.