

House Resolution 993

By: Representatives Cannon of the 58th, Bennett of the 94th, McQueen of the 61st, and Davis of the 87th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Kimberly Seals Allers and recognizing April 11, 2025, as Irth Day; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Kimberly Seals Allers is an award-winning journalist, five-time author,
4 international speaker, strategist, and nationally recognized advocate for maternal and infant
5 health equity; and

6 WHEREAS, she has served as a senior editor at *ESSENCE* and as a writer at *FORTUNE*
7 magazine, lending her voice and talents to prominent platforms while addressing the racial
8 and socio-cultural complexities of birth, breast-feeding, and motherhood; and

9 WHEREAS, Kimberly Seals Allers further serves as the founder of Irth, a digital platform
10 designed as a "Yelp-like" app and aimed at addressing bias and racism in maternity and
11 infant care; and

12 WHEREAS, she is also the creator of *Birthright*, a podcast that centers joyful and healing
13 Black birth stories to reclaim the narrative of Black maternal experiences and offer a
14 counterbalance to the often-negative statistics reported in mainstream media; and

15 WHEREAS, through her work with Irth and *Birthright*, Kimberly Seals Allers continues to
16 pioneer innovative tools and storytelling initiatives that uplift communities and promote
17 respectful, equitable maternity and infant care; and

18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable individual be
19 appropriately honored during this special time.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body commend Kimberly Seals Allers for her groundbreaking
22 contributions to maternal and infant health equity, recognize April 11, 2025, as Irth Day, and
23 extend best wishes for continued success.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
25 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
26 Kimberly Seals Allers.