

House Resolution 1028

By: Representatives Carter of the 93rd, Bazemore of the 69th, Scott of the 76th, Hugley of the 141st, and Mitchell of the 88th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and recognizing Dr. Foluso A. Fakorede by the House of Representatives; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Foluso A. Fakorede has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable
4 hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and country
5 as evidenced dramatically by his superlative service as a physician, community leader, and
6 tireless advocate for rural and underserved communities; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Fakorede, the Chief Executive Officer at Cardiovascular Solutions of
8 Central Mississippi, is unwaveringly committed to providing timely, high-quality
9 cardiovascular care and educating communities to reduce preventable amputations; and

10 WHEREAS, he is a nationally recognized leader in raising awareness about peripheral artery
11 disease (PAD) and the amputation epidemic; his passionate advocacy has lead to an 88
12 percent reduction in amputations over four years; and

13 WHEREAS, Dr. Fakorede was instrumental in introducing the bipartisan Amputation
14 Reduction and Compassion (ARC) Act, which led to the creation of the inaugural
15 Congressional PAD Caucus; and

16 WHEREAS, Dr. Fakorede serves on the Board of Directors for the Amputee Coalition and
17 is the PAD initiative chair for the Association of Black Cardiologists; and

18 WHEREAS, he has contributed to several influential bodies including the Society for
19 Cardiovascular Angiography and Interventions, the American Heart Association PAD
20 National Action Plan, and the Society for Interventional Radiology; and

21 WHEREAS, his groundbreaking work has been recognized with the American Heart
22 Association's 2023 Louis B. Russell Award, the Association of Black Cardiologists' 2024
23 Public Policy Award, and inclusion in the 2024 STAT News STATUS List, which honors
24 the most impactful leaders in health, medicine, and science; and

25 WHEREAS, in 2024, Dr. Fakorede was the subject of the award-winning documentary
26 *Bloodlines, Mississippi* and the Nobel Prize Foundation's exhibition *Fighting Disease—Three*
27 *Stories From the Fields of Medicine*; and

28 WHEREAS, the documentary highlights Dr. Fakorede's revolutionary work combating
29 diabetes-related amputations in the Mississippi Delta's underserved communities; and

30 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper to recognize the outstanding accomplishments
31 of this distinguished physician, advocate, and community leader.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
33 the members of this body recognize and commend Dr. Foluso A. Fakorede for his efficient,
34 effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service; and extend the most sincere best wishes
35 for continued health and happiness.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
37 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Dr.
38 Foluso A. Fakorede.