

House Resolution 1338

By: Representatives Beckles of the 96th, Adeyina of the 110th, McClain of the 109th, Clark of the 108th, Mitchell of the 88th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Consulate General of India in Atlanta for their recognition
2 and celebration of Black History Month; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Consulate General of India in Atlanta serves as a vital diplomatic mission
4 fostering strong bilateral relations between the Republic of India and the United States of
5 America, particularly within the Southeastern United States; and

6 WHEREAS, Black History Month is observed annually in February to honor the
7 achievements, contributions, and sacrifices of African Americans throughout United States
8 history and to recognize the central role of Black Americans in shaping our nation; and

9 WHEREAS, the Consulate General of India in Atlanta has demonstrated exemplary cultural
10 diplomacy and solidarity by formally recognizing and celebrating Black History Month,
11 thereby honoring the shared values of diversity, equality, and justice that unite the people of
12 India and the United States; and

13 WHEREAS, this recognition reflects the deep historical connections between the Civil
14 Rights Movement in the United States and India's own struggle for independence and social

15 justice, including the profound influence of Mahatma Gandhi's philosophy of nonviolent
16 resistance on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and other civil rights leaders; and

17 WHEREAS, the Consulate General's commitment to acknowledging Black History Month
18 strengthens the cultural bonds between the Indian American community and African
19 American communities throughout Georgia and reinforces our shared commitment to
20 celebrating diversity and promoting mutual understanding; and

21 WHEREAS, such gestures of recognition and respect serve to build bridges between
22 communities, foster intercultural dialogue, and demonstrate that the pursuit of equality and
23 justice transcends national boundaries; and

24 WHEREAS, the people of Georgia benefit greatly from the presence of the Consulate
25 General of India in Atlanta and the vibrant Indian American community that contributes
26 significantly to the economic, cultural, and social fabric of our state.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body recognize and commend the Consulate General of India in Atlanta
29 for their recognition and celebration of Black History Month and extend sincere appreciation
30 for their commitment to promoting cultural understanding, diversity, and unity.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
33 Consulate General of India in Atlanta.