

## House Resolution 1335

By: Representatives Lupton of the 83<sup>rd</sup>, Oliver of the 84<sup>th</sup>, Holcomb of the 101<sup>st</sup>, Kendrick of the 95<sup>th</sup>, Tran of the 80<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Brian Goldstone; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, DeKalb County resident Brian Goldstone is a renowned journalist,  
3 anthropologist, and author of *There Is No Place for Us: Working and Homeless in America*;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, a 2026 report from Georgia State University's Center on Health and  
6 Homelessness reveals more than 4,600 people in DeKalb County are living in extended-stay  
7 hotels, including 2,004 households and 1,635 children; and

8 WHEREAS, the report found that families living in extended-stay hotels typically pay higher  
9 than average monthly rent, despite living in substandard housing; and

10 WHEREAS, told through the lives of five families in Atlanta, *There Is No Place for Us:*  
11 *Working and Homeless in America*, by Brian Goldstone, traces the rise of America's  
12 "working homeless," exposing the forces of gentrification, racialized displacement,  
13 precarious low-wage labor, and a lack of tenant rights that drive a deepening crisis of housing  
14 insecurity; and

15 WHEREAS, since its publication, *There Is No Place for Us* has received wide national  
16 recognition, including being named a finalist for the Carnegie Medal for Excellence in  
17 Nonfiction, a *New York Times* Top Ten Book of 2025, *The Atlantic* Top Ten Book of the  
18 Year, an NPR *Books We Love* selection, and a *Washington Post* Notable Book of the Year,  
19 and was also selected by Barack Obama as one of his favorite books of the year; and

20 WHEREAS, Brian Goldstone initially reported on Atlanta housing in the 2019 *New Republic*  
21 article "The New American Homeless"; and

22 WHEREAS, his long-form reporting and essays on such topics as mental health in Ghana,  
23 life after incarceration, the plight of chronic pain sufferers during an opioid epidemic, and  
24 Israel's secretive campaign to deport African asylum seekers have appeared in *Harper's*, *The*  
25 *California Sunday Magazine*, *Guernica*, *Jacobin*, and *Public Books*; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this outstanding Georgian be  
27 appropriately honored.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
29 the members of this body recognize and commend Brian Goldstone for his unwavering  
30 commitment to journalism in the State of Georgia and extend their sincere best wishes for  
31 his continued health, happiness, and success.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
33 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Brian  
34 Goldstone.