

## House Resolution 1619

By: Representatives Hugley of the 141<sup>st</sup>, Buckner of the 137<sup>th</sup>, Kendrick of the 95<sup>th</sup>, and Taylor of the 92<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating and commending Carolyn M. Wright for receiving the 2026 Yellow Rose  
2 Nikki T. Randall Servant Leadership Award; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in 1999, Representative Nikki T. Randall became the first African American  
4 female elected to the General Assembly from middle Georgia, and over her 17 years of  
5 service as a legislator, she held numerous leadership positions, including chair of the Georgia  
6 Women's Legislative Caucus; and

7 WHEREAS, every year during Women's History Month, the Georgia Women's Legislative  
8 Caucus recognizes outstanding women in Georgia who exemplify the leadership and  
9 inspiration embodied by Representative Randall; and

10 WHEREAS, Carolyn M. Wright is a trailblazer in coaching and education who has spent  
11 more than 40 years shaping young athletes across basketball, volleyball, and track; and

12 WHEREAS, she spent 32 seasons at Central High School in Phenix City, where she guided  
13 the Lady Red Devils to four Final Four appearances at the Alabama High School Athletic  
14 Association State Tournament, 12 Sweet Sixteen appearances, nine Elite Eight appearances,  
15 and 18 state tournament appearances overall; and

16 WHEREAS, she is a member of the exclusive 600-win basketball club with a total record of  
17 605-387, and her 33-year-long athletic coaching career in the State of Alabama played a  
18 major role in helping over 200 athletes attain scholarships to colleges and universities; and

19 WHEREAS, Carolyn M. Wright is one of only five African American female coaches  
20 enshrined in the history of the Alabama High School Athletic Sports Hall of Fame, and she  
21 was recently inducted into the Chattahoochee Valley Sports Hall of Fame alongside her  
22 husband, Bobby, the first couple ever to be inducted on the same day; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
24 extraordinary servant leader be appropriately honored.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
26 the members of this body congratulate and commend Carolyn M. Wright for receiving the  
27 2026 Yellow Rose Nikki T. Randall Servant Leadership Award and extend best wishes for  
28 her continued success.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
30 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
31 Carolyn M. Wright.