

House Resolution 1775

By: Representatives Schofield of the 63rd, Lewis-Ward of the 115th, Davis of the 87th, Scott of the 76th, Cameron of the 1st, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating and commending the 2026 Georgia Single Parent "Legacy Builders"
2 Recognition and Awards finalists, "Overcomer Founder" award, and "Ruth Brewster
3 Endurance" award recipients for their achievements; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, in recognition of the many single parents in Georgia, House Resolution 279 was
5 signed into law, designating March 21 annually as Single Parent Day in Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, The National Leadership Group Inc. and former State Representative Valencia
7 Stovall identified the need in 2019 to create an annual event for single parents, launching the
8 Georgia Single Parent "Legacy Builders" Recognition and Awards to honor the dedication
9 and accomplishments of single parents, regardless of gender, cultural background, or
10 economic status; and

11 WHEREAS, the Georgia Single Parent "Overcomer Founder" award, established by former
12 State Representative Valencia Stovall in 2022, recognizes single parents who have triumphed
13 over significant challenges to provide their children with the opportunity to thrive and
14 succeed; and

15 WHEREAS, the Georgia Single Parent "Ruth Brewster Endurance" Award, established by
16 Mother Ruth Brewster in 2023, honors single parents who persevere through adversity to
17 create a nurturing, supportive environment for their children's success; and

18 WHEREAS, twenty-eight individuals have been nominated for recognition at the Seventh
19 Annual Georgia Single Parent "Legacy Builders" Recognition and Awards event on March
20 21, 2026, with the following outstanding single parents as special awardees: Melvenia Clark
21 of Morrow in the Community Service category; Yoni Dansby of Jonesboro in the Medical
22 & Health category; Melba Furlow of College Park in the Education category; Eleorra
23 Hamilton of Atlanta in the Arts & Entertainment category; Richea Harris of Fayetteville in
24 the Public Service category; Monica Moore of McDonough in the Public Service category;
25 Bridgette Spice of Fayetteville in the Community Service category; Ardale Tillman of
26 Conyers in the Business Owner category; and Bayyinnah White of Peachtree City in the
27 Faith Based category; and

28 WHEREAS, the 2026 Georgia Single Parent "Overcomer Founder" award recipients are
29 Libra Hicks of Buford and Robert Jordan of Rincon; and

30 WHEREAS, the 2026 Georgia Single Parent "Ruth Brewster Endurance" award recipient is
31 Sechita McNair of Atlanta; and

32 WHEREAS, parents must invest immeasurable amounts of time, energy, and devotion when
33 raising their children in order to provide them with the love, support, and guidance required
34 to become responsible, productive, and successful adults; and

35 WHEREAS, the responsibility of raising children in today's society is particularly difficult
36 when it falls on the shoulders of a single parent; and

37 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper to honor the outstanding accomplishments
38 of these remarkable individuals for their exemplary contributions and unwavering dedication.

39 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
40 the members of this body congratulate and commend the 2026 Georgia Single Parent
41 "Legacy Builders" Recognition and Awards recipients for being exemplary single parent role
42 models and extend the most sincere best wishes for future success.

43 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
44 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to each
45 of the recipients named herein.