

## House Resolution 1962

By: Representatives Holly of the 116<sup>th</sup>, Cannon of the 58<sup>th</sup>, McQueen of the 61<sup>st</sup>, Lewis-Ward of the 115<sup>th</sup>, Neal of the 79<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the National Council of Negro Women, Inc., upon its 90th anniversary; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on December 5, 1935, the illustrious Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune founded the  
4 National Council of Negro Women, Inc., (NCNW) to harness the collective strength and  
5 voices of women of African descent to achieve justice and equality; and

6 WHEREAS, the NCNW has since flourished into a powerful network with more than 2  
7 million people, sustained by the enduring legacy of President Emerita Dr. Dorothy Irene  
8 Height, and it is currently led with distinction by National Board Chair Dr. A. Lois Keith and  
9 President and CEO Rev. Shavon Arline-Bradley; and

10 WHEREAS, the organization remains anchored by its "Core Four" strategic pillars:  
11 Education (Bethune-Height Changemaker Pathway), Health Equity (Good Health WINS),  
12 Economic Justice (RISE), and Social Justice advocacy; and

13 WHEREAS, the Georgia State Coalition, re-envisioned in 2016 under the leadership of Dr.  
14 A. Lois Keith and now led by State President Dr. Gloria Dodson, maintains a robust presence  
15 across the state through 13 community sections and 19 collegiate sections; and

16 WHEREAS, the year 2025–2026 marks the 90th anniversary of this storied institution,  
17 celebrated through the 15-city "PowerUp Tour" and the recognition of champions such as  
18 Congresswoman Maxine Waters at the 19th Biennial Uncommon Height Honors Gala.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
20 the members of this body honor the National Council of Negro Women, Inc., for 90 years  
21 of "Leading, Outreaching, and Uplifting" as well as celebrate the dedication of the Georgia  
22 State Coalition and its commitment to empowering the next generation of leaders from the  
23 collegiate halls to the community streets.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
25 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
26 National Council of Negro Women, Inc.