

Senate Resolution 648

By: Senators Davenport of the 44th, Anderson of the 43rd and Parent of the 42nd

## A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating and commending Mrs. Peggy Wilson; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, The General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC), founded in 1890, is a  
3 federation of approximately 2,300 women's clubs in the United States, District of Columbia,  
4 and more than a dozen countries around the world that promotes civic improvements through  
5 volunteer service and is the oldest non-denominational, non-partisan, international service  
6 organization of volunteer women in the world; and

7 WHEREAS, The GFWC honors one clubwoman from each GFWC Region who was chosen  
8 by their individual club to compete at the state, region, and national levels with the Jennie  
9 Award for outstanding commitment to club, community, and family; and

10 WHEREAS, The GFWC Jennie Award is named in honor of GFWC's founder, Jane  
11 Cunningham Croly, who wrote for national newspapers under the pseudonym "Jennie June."  
12 The award highlights those extraordinary clubwomen who epitomize her spirit of  
13 independence, courage, and persistence in purpose through their roles as volunteers within  
14 their clubs, elsewhere in the community, and as members of a family or extended family.  
15 Although GFWC has many awards for states and clubs, the GFWC Jennie Award is the only

16 national honor that recognizes individual members for personal excellence and is the highest  
17 honor bestowed by the GFWC; and

18 WHEREAS, The GFWC Georgia / Morrow Civic Woman's Club was originally federated  
19 in 1962 (Morrow Junior Woman's Club) and assists with projects for local libraries,  
20 children's shelters, women's shelters, senior citizens' centers, arts centers, recycling programs,  
21 Habitat for Humanity, and many other programs that support our military, promote public  
22 and political awareness, and sponsor scholarships for women to Clayton State University for  
23 continuing education; and

24 WHEREAS, The GFWC Georgia / Morrow Civic Woman's Club selected Mrs. Peggy  
25 Wilson, a member for 32 years, as their 2024 National Jennie Award nominee; and

26 WHEREAS, Mrs. Peggy Wilson was selected as the Georgia Jennie Award Recipient in  
27 August 2023 and the Southern Region Jennie Award Recipient in October 2023 and will  
28 compete nationally during the 2024 GFWC Annual Convention in Chicago, Illinois, in July  
29 2024; and

30 WHEREAS, we recognize and commend members of The GFWC, The GFWC Georgia, and  
31 The Morrow Civic Woman's Club for their immeasurable contributions to communities in  
32 our state, throughout the nation, and around the world with countless volunteer service  
33 projects to benefit others.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
35 congratulate and commend Mrs. Peggy Wilson, The GFWC Georgia / Morrow Civic  
36 Woman's Club's 2024 National Jennie Award nominee, and extend best wishes for future  
37 success.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
39 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Mrs. Peggy Wilson  
40 and The GFWC Georgia / Morrow Civic Woman's Club.