

## House Resolution 1030

By: Representatives Frye of the 118<sup>th</sup>, Burns of the 159<sup>th</sup>, Trammell of the 132<sup>nd</sup>, Parrish of the 158<sup>th</sup>, Schofield of the 60<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Habitat for Humanity; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity's mission seeks to put God's love into action by bringing  
3 people together to build homes, strengthen communities, and foster hope with a vision  
4 toward creating a world where everyone has a decent place to live; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity was founded outside of Americus, Georgia, in 1976 and  
6 currently operates in more than 70 countries and in all 50 states, including 55 local affiliates  
7 in the State of Georgia; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity has assisted over 29 million people across the world to  
9 achieve strength, stability, and independence through shelter; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity affiliates help over 400 families each year in the State of  
11 Georgia achieve the American dream of homeownership; and
- 12 WHEREAS, adequate housing is recognized as a basic human right, and Habitat for  
13 Humanity assists income-qualified families to experience this right through home  
14 construction, renovation, and repair; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity sells homes to income-qualified families through  
16 zero-interest mortgage loans; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity keeps the costs of housing affordable through the use of  
18 volunteer labor, donated materials, and "sweat equity," meaning that the homebuyer works  
19 to build their home and the homes of others; and

20 WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity provides employment opportunities for its staff and  
21 contractors and improves the neighborhood conditions and tax base in the communities that  
22 it builds; and

23 WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity homeowners are shown to be less reliant on government  
24 assistance, and their children experience improved educational outcomes; and

25 WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity homeowners become more financially self-sufficient and  
26 capable of using their resources to improve their quality of life; and

27 WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity provides homeowners a hand up, not a hand out, by  
28 instilling them with dignity through the opportunity of a better life by their own hands.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
30 the members of this body recognize and commend this organization for its outstanding  
31 contributions to the State of Georgia and extend best wishes for continued 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  
34 Habitat for Humanity.