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House Resolution 1074

By: Representatives Cannon of the 58th, Cooper of the 43rd, Carter of the 92nd, Drenner of the 85th, Price of the 48th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Edith Biggers; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Dr. Edith Biggers is a native of Atlanta, Georgia, who earned a bachelor's
- 3 degree in music from Smith College, a master's degree in library science from Atlanta
- 4 University, and her medical degree from Emory University; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Dr. Biggers has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital
- 6 role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the welfare of
- 7 the citizens of Georgia; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,
- 9 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state as evidenced by her
- 10 superlative service with the Ryan White Clinic of the Fulton County Department of Health
- 11 and Wellness; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Dr. Biggers is a public health physician, fluent in English, Spanish, French, and
- 13 American Sign Language, who delivers compassionate and exemplary medical care to
- 14 underserved HIV positive patients with an emphasis on maximizing self-empowerment
- 15 through education; and
- 16 WHEREAS, her significant organizational and leadership talents, her remarkable patience
- and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of
- 18 this state have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and associates; and
- 19 WHEREAS, she has been practicing medicine for 24 years, and since 1993 she has been a
- 20 frequent voice on the speaker's circuit, encouraging patients to develop strategies for taking
- 21 charge of their lives, increasing adherence with antiretroviral therapies, negotiating with
- 22 partners, and disclosing their HIV status; and

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23 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for

- 24 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and
- 25 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
- 26 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.
- 27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 28 the members of this body recognize and commend Dr. Edith Biggers on her service to the
- 29 State of Georgia as an exemplary public health physician.
- 30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
- 32 Dr. Edith Biggers.