

House Resolution 109

By: Representatives Evans of the 57th, Efstration of the 104th, Oliver of the 82nd, Reeves of the 34th, and Boddie of the 62nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and congratulating Martin “Marty” Louis Ellin upon the grand occasion of his
2 retirement; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Martin “Marty” Louis Ellin has long been recognized by the citizens of this
4 state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to
5 the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state, as evidenced
8 dramatically by his 20 years of superlative service with the Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers
9 Foundation (AVLF); and

10 WHEREAS, AVLF is a nonprofit organization that serves survivors of intimate partner
11 abuse, children in high-conflict custody disputes, tenants in disputes with their landlords,
12 employees denied their wages, and people who have recently lost a family member; and

13 WHEREAS, acting as a champion for low-income residents in Atlanta, Marty has worked
14 to address their unmet civil and legal needs by recruiting, training, and mentoring lawyers
15 so that they are prepared to uplift the community; and

16 WHEREAS, AVLF can be found fighting for equal justice within the Atlanta community and
17 supporting those in need, including citizens in Fulton, Gwinnett, DeKalb, and Cobb counties;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, as a result of his dedication to his community, he is the inaugural recipient of
20 the Martin Louis Ellin Lifetime Achievement Award, AVLF's highest award that honors
21 persons who have dedicated much of their careers to public service; and

22 WHEREAS, Marty's significant organizational and leadership talents, remarkable patience
23 and diplomacy, keen sense of vision, and sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this state
24 have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

25 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
26 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

27 WHEREAS, Marty has served with honor and distinction with AVLF, and his vision and
28 unyielding commitment to defending those in need will be sorely missed upon the occasion
29 of his retirement; and

30 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
31 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
33 the members of this body recognize Martin "Marty" Louis Ellin for his efficient, effective,
34 unselfish, and dedicated service to the Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation; congratulate
35 him upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and extend the most sincere best wishes for
36 continued health and happiness.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
38 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
39 Martin “Marty” Louis Ellin.