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House Resolution 1327

By: Representatives Mainor of the 56th, Williams of the 168th, McClain of the 109th, Mitchell of the 88th, Gilliard of the 162nd, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring Mrs. Carolyn Lucille Long Banks and dedicating an intersection in her memory;
- 2 and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Carolyn Lucille Long Banks was born on October 30, 1940, in Atlanta,
- 4 Georgia, the beloved daughter of Mr. Ralph A. Long, Sr., and Mrs. Rubye Carolyn Hall
- 5 Long; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a graduate of Turner High School, Mrs. Banks attended Clark College where
- 7 she became an active leader with the Atlanta Student Movement, which was a formidable
- 8 force for change and mobilized students for marches, sit ins, and boycotts for civil rights and
- 9 justice; and
- 10 WHEREAS, her leadership and dedication helped the Atlanta Student Movement see the
- 11 integration of local businesses and city facilities; and
- 12 WHEREAS, in 1980, Mrs. Banks became the first African American woman to serve on the
- 13 Atlanta City Council, where she spearheaded Atlanta's Proctor Creek Infrastructure Plan to
- 14 support African American communities and co-sponsored the Freedom Parkway
- 15 compromise; and

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WHEREAS, she initiated a Children's Defense Fund partnership with cities across the nation

- 17 to improve youth civic engagement and served as president of the National League of Cities;
- 18 and
- 19 WHEREAS, Mrs. Banks was a member of the University of Georgia Municipal Leadership
- 20 Institute, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Leadership Atlanta, Atlanta Business League,
- 21 NAACP, National Coalition of 100 Black Women, and Southwest Cascade Garden Club; and
- 22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
- 23 Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an intersection in her memory.
- 24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
- 25 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the intersection of State Route 3 and State Route 9 in
- 26 Fulton County is dedicated as the Carolyn Long Banks Memorial Intersection.
- 27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
- 28 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Carolyn Long Banks
- 29 Memorial Intersection.
- 30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 32 family of Mrs. Carolyn Lucille Long Banks and to the Department of Transportation.