

House Resolution 1355

By: Representatives Bennett of the 94th, Schofield of the 60th, McLeod of the 105th, Kennard of the 102nd, and Thomas of the 56th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Vice President Chief Dr. Jewel Howard-Taylor; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Vice President Chief Dr. Jewel Howard-Taylor has long been recognized for
4 the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the
5 welfare of the citizens of the Republic of Liberia; and

6 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her country as evidenced dramatically by her
8 superlative service as Vice President of the Republic of Liberia and as a senior ranking
9 member of the Liberian Senate, where she serves on several strategic committees; and

10 WHEREAS, Vice President Chief Dr. Taylor is a grassroots organizer; a strong pillar of the
11 Christian community; a proponent of women's empowerment, multiparty democracy,
12 freedom of speech, human rights, and the Rule of Law; a strong voice for change and
13 progress in the Republic of Liberia; and an icon for Liberian women; and

14 WHEREAS, this distinguished leader has earned distinction and numerous awards for her
15 dedication to public service and the tremendous impact her leadership has had on the
16 Republic of Liberia, including the country's highest honor of Knight Great Dame, Order of
17 the Most Venerable Order of the Pioneers, which she received in 2005 from former President
18 Charles G. Taylor for her service as the twenty-first First Lady of Liberia; and

19 WHEREAS, Vice President Chief Dr. Taylor is also a member of many influential
20 organizations, including the Board of Trustees of Restoration Baptist Church, the Bong
21 County Bar Association, the Liberian National Red Cross, and the Liberian Rural Women
22 Association, which is an additional testament to her commitment to the well-being of others;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, her significant organizational and leadership talents, remarkable patience and
25 diplomacy, keen sense of vision, and sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this state have
26 earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and associates; and

27 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentlewoman has given inspiration to many through her high
28 ideals, morals, and deep concern for her fellow citizens, and she possesses the vast wisdom
29 which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is achieved
30 through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

31 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
32 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

33 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and
34 contributions of this remarkable and distinguished individual be appropriately recognized.

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
36 the members of this body recognize and commend Vice President Chief Dr. Jewel
37 Howard-Taylor for her efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the
38 Republic of Liberia and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued success.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
40 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Vice
41 President Chief Dr. Jewel Howard-Taylor.