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House Resolution 1391

By: Representative Jones of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Audraine Jackson for being a distinguished servant leader;
- 2 and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the daughter of an entrepreneur and a civil rights activist, Audraine Jackson
- 4 enrolled at the University of Georgia a year early and graduated in three years from the
- 5 prestigious Grady College of Journalism; and
- 6 WHEREAS, during her accelerated college years, Ms. Jackson received many awards and
- 7 honors, among them being the first University of Georgia student to win the coveted Georgia
- 8 Association of Newscasters Scholarship; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Ms. Jackson was a broadcast journalist in national and local markets before
- 10 pursuing a career in marketing communications; her transition to marketing began with her
- 11 winning the "Lite Beer" account from Miller, and afterwards, she was quickly recruited to
- 12 oversee other high-profile accounts from such companies as Coca-Cola USA, Kroger Food
- 13 Stores, and Proctor and Gamble; and
- 14 WHEREAS, as owner of Jackson Communications, she is known as a visionary thinker who
- 15 relies on research, instincts, and logic, whether she is handling high-profile issues, such as
- 16 protecting historical communities from being encroached upon by national retailers, branding
- 17 a therapeutic health care client from inception to market share gains, developing and
- 18 executing promotional campaigns for fast-food franchises, or crafting a story to position a
- 19 political client for victory; and
- 20 WHEREAS, she hosted an international conference, where she taught communications
- 21 professionals about strategic thinking, business writing, public relations, media relations, and
- 22 integrated marketing; and

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23 WHEREAS, she has served on the local and regional boards of the International Association

- 24 of Business Communicators (IABC) and has received several IABC awards, including the
- 25 Atlanta Golden Flame Award for a media campaign and a Leadership Institute Award of
- 26 Excellence for Student Chapter Management; and she was honored by 100 Black Women
- 27 of Atlanta's Mecca Chapter for corporate community service and by the City of Atlanta for
- 28 creating the First Responders' Appreciation Program; and
- 29 WHEREAS, she was also featured in the *Washington Post* for her opinions on the Georgia
- 30 primary election, in an article entitled "Audraine's Choice"; and
- 31 WHEREAS, in addition to the countless personal hours she has donated and her professional
- 32 pro bono work, Ms. Jackson founded the September 11th First Responders Appreciation
- 33 Program to honor firefighters and law enforcement in the Southwest Atlanta community, and
- 34 the Flowers to Widows Program that surprises recently widowed women and men on
- 35 Valentine's Day with flower gifts the first year after a loss; and
- 36 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
- 37 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.
- 38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 39 the members of this body recognize and commend Audraine Jackson for her exemplary
- 40 professional and philanthropic accomplishments, and for being a distinguished servant
- 41 leader.
- 42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 43 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
- 44 Audraine Jackson.