

House Resolution 1450

By: Representatives Adeyina of the 110th, Holly of the 116th, Okoye of the 102nd, Adesanya of the 43rd, and Olaleye of the 59th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Dede Ntumba; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Dede Ntumba is the chairman of the Congolese Community of Atlanta; and
- 3 WHEREAS, this organization was created to facilitate the integration of people of Congolese
4 decent into American society while providing the support and resources they need to thrive;
5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, since being elected chairman in 2018, he has been dedicated to providing
7 unparalleled service and support and remains steadfastly committed to the principles of skill,
8 integrity, and responsibility; and
- 9 WHEREAS, his accomplishments as chairman are too numerous to list in full, but highlights
10 include increasing membership and community engagement by 70 percent; increasing the
11 \$3,000.00 budget to \$30,000.00, which helped assist families in need; and creating the first
12 website and social media platforms to keep community members informed; and
- 13 WHEREAS, during his tenure the organization also opened new offices in Lawrenceville and
14 Clarkson, Georgia and forged partnerships with institutions such as Francophonie, the City

15 of Atlanta Board of Education, the French Alliance, the City of Clarkston, Piedmont College,
16 and Georgia State University to offer solutions to address the refugee resettlement and
17 integration issue; and

18 WHEREAS, he was born on July 2, 1967, in the Democratic Republic of Congo and holds
19 a diploma of Medical Assistant in Urology from Lincoln Technical College, Atlanta; and

20 WHEREAS, among his many accolades are the Community Collaboration Award, from
21 Friends of The Congo Organization in 2020; the Humanity Champion Award from the
22 Nigerian American Public Affairs Committee (NAPAC) United States of America in 2021;
23 and recognition as Best African Leader in the USA, from *Amafor* magazine in 2022; and

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

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

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body recognize and commend Dede Ntumba and thank him for his
31 efforts of behalf of his community and state.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Dede
34 Ntumba.