

House Resolution 1466

By: Representatives Waites of the 60th, Fludd of the 64th, Jones of the 53rd, Thomas of the 56th, and Metze of the 55th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Steven Lee; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, as founder and CEO of Unity Network and Counseling Center (UNCC) Lee has
3 elevated the organization to become a beacon of light and hope for inner-city youth, adults,
4 and families at risk; and

5 WHEREAS, UNCC is dedicated to enhancing the lives of people who are in the cycle of
6 poverty, dependency, and in other situations of social and economic downturn, and its
7 mission is to offer programs that will give them the skills to enter mainstream America; and

8 WHEREAS, since its inception in 1998, UNCC has offered an array of comprehensive
9 services and programs of empowerment, such as adult education, inclusive of G.E.D.
10 preparation, adult literacy, and job skills training; also offered are community service
11 programs that address drug and substance abuse and HIV/AIDS education and awareness;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, UNCC offers in-school and after-school education and mentoring programs,
14 and youth sports and cultural enrichment programs; two of UNCC's hallmark programs are
15 Boys of Promise, which provides mentoring to young elementary school-aged males and A
16 Guiding Hand, which offers mentoring to middle and high school students; and

17 WHEREAS, in addition to his executive role at UNCC, Mr. Lee, since 2014, has served as
18 a school board member representing District 5 on the Atlanta School Board, and he is
19 committed to a school system that needs the stakeholders' triangle—schools, parents, and
20 communities—that will work to enable all students, regardless of race, economic status,
21 gender, disability, or language, to succeed; and

22 WHEREAS, in 2015, he received a Doctor of Humane Letters Degree from Arkansas Baptist
23 College for his work in the community; he remains passionate about serving, and his
24 community affiliations include, but are not limited to, People TV (past president of the board

25 of directors), the Martin Luther King Merchant Association (president), the Hollowell/ML
26 King TAD Advisory Committee, and Youthfest; and

27 WHEREAS, Mr. Lee has received multiple honors for his commitment to change, with one
28 of the most notable being a Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition; and

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

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
32 the members of this body recognize and commend Steven Lee.

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