

## House Resolution 1518

By: Representatives Cannon of the 58<sup>th</sup>, Beasley-Teague of the 65<sup>th</sup>, Smyre of the 135<sup>th</sup>, Stephens of the 164<sup>th</sup>, and Parrish of the 158<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending State Representative Henrietta Turnquest; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, State Representative Henrietta Turnquest of Atlanta, Georgia, has led a  
4 multifaceted and successful career in the realms of law, consulting, lobbying, and  
5 administration; and

6 WHEREAS, Representative Turnquest, a six-term former member of this body and Floor  
7 Leader for Governor Barnes, served Districts 56 and 73 honorably and with particular  
8 emphasis on the affairs of her senior and youth constituents; and

9 WHEREAS, through her years of professorship at Emory University, Spelman College, and  
10 Morehouse College, Representative Turnquest has made enormous contributions to  
11 Afrocentric higher education since her matriculation at Spelman College more than 50 years  
12 ago; and

13 WHEREAS, Representative Turnquest has served the community tirelessly by volunteering  
14 her time and talents on the MARTA board of directors, as the executive producer and  
15 cofounder of South DeKalb Business Incubator, and as cofounder and vice president of  
16 Women of Color Public Policy and Educational Institute, Inc.; and

17 WHEREAS, she has used her expertise in international relations to provide legislative and  
18 public policy education in the Caribbean, Senegal, Gambia, the Ivory Coast, and Ghana; and

19 WHEREAS, Representative Turnquest also served as a member of the Carter Center Election  
20 Monitoring team for the first democratic election in Ghana; and

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

24 WHEREAS, Representative Turnquest has served with honor and distinction, and her vision  
25 and unyielding commitment have set the standard for public service; and

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

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
29 the members of this body recognize and commend State Representative Henrietta Turnquest  
30 for her efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia and  
31 extend the most sincere best wishes for continued success.

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  
34 Henrietta Turnquest.