

House Resolution 1596

By: Representatives Prince of the 127th, Newton of the 123rd, Nelson of the 125th, and Frazier of the 126th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Christine Miller-Betts, executive director of the Lucy Craft Laney Museum of
2 Black History, on her retirement; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Christine Miller-Betts is a retired United States Army nurse who served in
4 many capacities during her career, including teaching and counseling throughout the country;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, she is an active member of Tabernacle Baptist Church; Historic Augusta;
7 Leadership Augusta; the Augusta Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.; the
8 Southern Museum Association; and the MLK Jr. Museum Board; and

9 WHEREAS, she serves on the advisory councils of the State of Georgia; the Augusta Civic
10 Club; and the National Heritage and Archives Committee of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority,
11 Inc.; and

12 WHEREAS, she has volunteered many hours to the restoration of the Laney Home, which
13 later became the LCL Museum and Conference Center; and

14 WHEREAS, in 1993, she was named the second executive director of the LCL Museum of
15 Black History; and

16 WHEREAS, she was instrumental in spearheading projects such as the Golden Blocks; the
17 Senior Luncheon; the Children's Summer Arts Academy; and a youth leadership program
18 that showcased the talents of local, regional, and national gifted African American artists;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, she is the recipient of a plethora of awards, including the Women of Excellence
21 Award, the Citizen of the Year Award, the Kwanzaa Award, the Arts Council of Augusta
22 Volunteer of the Year Award, an Order of Mercury Award, the United States Army Special

23 Act Award, the United States Army Commander's Award, and the United States Army
24 Exceptional Performance Award; and

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

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body honor Christine Miller-Betts, executive director of the Lucy Craft
29 Laney Museum of Black History, for her service; congratulate her upon the grand occasion
30 of her retirement; and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued health and
31 happiness.

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 Christine Miller-Betts.