

## House Resolution 1642

By: Representatives Greene of the 154<sup>th</sup>, Reese of the 140<sup>th</sup>, Mathiak of the 74<sup>th</sup>, Cheokas of the 151<sup>st</sup>, and Yeararta of the 152<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating and commending Dr. Marion Ross Fedrick; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Marion Ross Fedrick, a native of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, moved with  
3 her family to Augusta, Georgia, where she attended and graduated from Lucy C. Laney High  
4 School. She is a "Triple Dog," having obtained a bachelor's degree in education, a master's  
5 degree in public administration, and a doctorate in education from the University of Georgia;  
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Fedrick had an exemplary career in human resources, holding leadership  
8 positions in county and state government, the health care industry, and AT&T before joining  
9 the University System of Georgia, where she served as Vice Chancellor for Human  
10 Resources; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Fedrick was called upon to help shepherd the consolidation of Darton State  
12 College and Albany State University, and after that objective was achieved, she was  
13 appointed as the 10th President of Albany State University in August 2018; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Fedrick is committed to the impact of academic development and believes  
15 that every student deserves access to an excellent and affordable education. She possesses

16 the commitment to drive initiatives that ignite excellence, as adopted in the ASU Strategic  
17 Plan, The Standard; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Fedrick and her family, including her husband, Horace, a retired law  
19 enforcement officer and public servant, and daughter, Sarah, who will graduate from  
20 Sherwood Academy in May, have proudly called Albany home for the last seven years. She  
21 and her family are members of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, and Dr. Fedrick serves on the  
22 boards of numerous civic and charitable service organizations, including the Albany  
23 Dougherty Inner-City Authority, Horizons Community Solutions, Phoebe Putney Health  
24 Systems, and The Links, Incorporated; and

25 WHEREAS, Dr. Fedrick has not only led through the consolidation of the two institutions  
26 but also provided a steady hand at the helm of Albany State University during the devastation  
27 of Hurricane Michael and the COVID-19 pandemic. She has played an integral role in  
28 growing the enrollment of Albany State University as well as increasing student retention.  
29 During Dr. Fedrick's tenure, the economic impact of the institution increased to well over  
30 \$260 million annually. She has been instrumental in the creation of programs such as the  
31 University College and Educational Talent Search and in establishing partnerships with the  
32 Albany Chamber of Commerce, Phoebe Putney Health Systems, The Marine Corps Logistics  
33 Base, Molson Coors, and Albany Technical College; and

34 WHEREAS, Dr. Fedrick is a graduate of Leadership Georgia, was selected to the 2023 class  
35 of the Top Ten Most Dominant HBCU Leaders by the HBCU Campaign Fund, and has been  
36 recognized as one of Georgia's Most Influential Leaders by *Georgia Trend*; and

37 WHEREAS, Dr. Fedrick will continue to serve and impact students and the State of Georgia  
38 in her new position, where she will serve the dual roles of Executive Vice President and

39 Chief of Staff at Georgia State University as well as Senior Advisor to Sonny Perdue,  
40 Chancellor of the University System of Georgia, for HBCU Initiatives.

41 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
42 the members of this body congratulate Dr. Marion Ross Fedrick upon her new position,  
43 commend her many years of exemplary service, and extend sincere best wishes for continued  
44 success.

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
46 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Dr.  
47 Marion Ross Fedrick.