

## House Resolution 17EX

By: Representatives Efstoration of the 104<sup>th</sup>, Persinger of the 119<sup>th</sup>, and Gaines of the 120<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Linda Blechinger on her outstanding public service; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Linda Blechinger was first elected mayor of Auburn, Georgia, more than 18  
4 years ago, a position she has held to this day; and

5 WHEREAS, Mayor Blechinger has served her community with dedication during her 18  
6 years in office; and

7 WHEREAS, Mayor Blechinger decided not to stand for re-election in Auburn's 2023  
8 municipal elections; and

9 WHEREAS, her legacy extends beyond her elected office to encompass the countless local  
10 and state organizations in which she has been involved, including positions on the Board of  
11 Directors for the Barrow Chamber of Commerce, the Piedmont Rape Crisis Center,  
12 Economic Development Barrow County, and Literacy Barrow; and

13 WHEREAS, Mayor Blechinger has also served as a member of the Arts Development  
14 Council of Georgia, the Winder-Barrow Joint Development Authority, Partnership Gwinnett,  
15 and the Gwinnett Municipal Association; and

16 WHEREAS, she was elected president of the Georgia Municipal Association in 2018; and

17 WHEREAS, Mayor Blechinger led the City of Auburn through a period of great growth  
18 while still allowing the city to maintain its old southern charm; and

19 WHEREAS, her commitment to a lifetime of servant leadership in her community is truly  
20 exemplary; and

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

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
24 the members of this body recognize and commend Linda Blechinger for her efficient,  
25 effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia as well as extend the  
26 most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
28 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Linda  
29 Blechinger.