

House Resolution 344

By: Representatives Bonner of the 73rd, Bazemore of the 69th, and Mathiak of the 74th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Jaivyn Beauford; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the mission of the Miss HBCU Teen Pageant is to provide scholarships,
3 resources, and support to high school girls of color attending historically Black colleges and
4 universities to ensure that they are empowered to excel; and

5 WHEREAS, Jaivyn Beauford, who currently represents the entire State of Georgia as the
6 Miss Georgia HBCU Teen, will be competing in March 2023 for the title of Miss HBCU
7 Teen; and

8 WHEREAS, a student at Norma's Academy of Dance, she participates in countless dance
9 exhibitions, conventions, competition intensives, and performances in Atlanta, New York,
10 Los Angeles, Alabama, Denver, Ohio, New Jersey, and Philadelphia; and

11 WHEREAS, she has earned numerous scholarships in recognition of her passion for dance,
12 including The Atlanta Dance Connection, Cleo-Parker Robin Dance, the Eta Omega Chapter
13 of Omega Psi Phi Talent Hunt Program, the Brown Girls Do Ballet Summer Intensive
14 Scholarship, and Tremaine Dance Conventions; and

15 WHEREAS, in addition to being an excellent and experienced dancer, Jaivyn Beauford is
16 an exemplary scholar whose grades place her in the top ten percent of her class, and as
17 further testament to her academic success, she was selected as a 2022 Governor's Honors
18 Program finalist for the State of Georgia; and

19 WHEREAS, she serves her fellow students as a national ambassador for the National Society
20 of High School Scholars as well as a Brown Girls Do Ballet ambassador, promoting diversity
21 in the arts and increasing the representation of under-represented populations in ballet
22 programs; and

23 WHEREAS, she is the founder of DanceShoez, a program initiative that focuses on
24 empowering young dancers by collecting and donating gently used shoes to dancers who
25 may not have all of the resources needed to pursue dance; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable young woman be
27 appropriately honored.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body recognize and commend Jaivyn Beauford for her many outstanding
30 accomplishments and contributions on behalf of others and extend best wishes for future
31 success in her upcoming competition.

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 Jaivyn Beauford.