

## House Resolution 347

By: Representatives Reeves of the 99<sup>th</sup>, Clark of the 100<sup>th</sup>, Bonner of the 73<sup>rd</sup>, Martinez of the 111<sup>th</sup>, Hitchens of the 161<sup>st</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the song "The Veteran Anthem," with lyrics and music by Takosha M. Swan,  
2 as the official song of Georgia service members, veterans, and their families; and for other  
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the purpose of "The Veteran Anthem," a classical piece composed and  
5 performed by Takosha M. Swan, is to demonstrate gratitude, honor, respect, and unity among  
6 Georgia veterans and military communities; and

7 WHEREAS, Takosha has a bachelor's degree in business management and a master's degree  
8 in business administration and attended a year of law school; and

9 WHEREAS, as the CEO and President of Business Women Consulting company, she has  
10 had a positive impact on many businesses; and

11 WHEREAS, Takosha is the mother of two girls, Lyric and Eden, and one boy, Kenneth III;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Takosha's husband Kenneth recently retired after serving in the United States  
14 military for 23 years; and

15 WHEREAS, an Iraq War army veteran, Takosha is a member of the Georgia Department of  
16 Veterans Service Board and the Governor's and Mayor's Challenges for Suicide Prevention  
17 Amongst Service Members, Veterans, and Their Families; and

18 WHEREAS, in addition to performing her own composition, Takosha has been singing "The  
19 Star-Spangled Banner" for the military since the year 2000, and during her service was called  
20 upon on countless occasions to share her musical talents with her fellow service members;  
21 and

22 WHEREAS, the song "The Veteran Anthem" will honor all branches of the United States  
23 armed forces and will demonstrate Georgia's pride for the dedicated service and bravery of  
24 all of our current service members and our veterans, and for our nation.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
26 GEORGIA that the song "The Veteran Anthem," with lyrics and music by Takosha M. Swan,  
27 is hereby designated as the official song of Georgia service members, veterans, and their  
28 families.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the lyrics to "The Veteran Anthem" are as follows:

30 "The Veteran Anthem"  
31 Give Me a Mission  
32 Give Me a Purpose  
33 Give Me My Assignment  
34 I'm Still Worth It  
35 I'm Still Your Protector  
36 I'm Still Your Winner

- 37 I Still Serve America
- 38 I Still Serve America
- 39 And I'm Still Me
  
- 40 Hallelujah (An Expression of Gratitude)
- 41 I'm Still Me
- 42 Hallelujah (An Expression of Gratitude)
- 43 3 Times: (The Veteran Anthem Cadence)
- 44 I Call Veterans
- 45 I Call Veterans
- 46 Of The Air
- 47 Of The Sea
- 48 Of The Land
- 49 Yo Left, Yo Left
- 50 Yo Veteran Left (TWICE)
  
- 51 Hallelujah (An Expression of Gratitude)
- 52 Hallelujah (An Expression of Gratitude)
- 53 I'm Still Me
- 54 I'm Still Me
  
- 55 The Veteran Anthem Video and Live Performance Links:
- 56 <https://youtu.be/rb3Dugsexr0>
- 57 <https://youtu.be/wWXzKJEx-2c>