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House Resolution 38EX

By: Representatives Adeyina of the 110th, Okoye of the 102nd, Burnough of the 77th, Mughal of the 105th, and Park of the 107th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Georgia Haitian-American Chamber of Commerce Inc.;
- 2 and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the Georgia Haitian-American Chamber of Commerce Inc. (GAHCCI),
- 4 established in 2011, stands as a pivotal force committed to fostering a dynamic business
- 5 ecosystem in both the State of Georgia and Haiti; and
- 6 WHEREAS, GAHCCI has emerged as a leading institution that tirelessly champions the
- 7 interests of Haitian Americans in this state and contributes significantly to the cultural
- 8 tapestry of the metro Atlanta area; and
- 9 WHEREAS, GAHCCI's mission is to empower its members by providing essential skills,
- 10 resources, and connections necessary for the establishment and growth of successful
- 11 businesses with the ultimate goal of creating an environment where members, their
- 12 businesses, and local communities in both Georgia and Haiti can thrive; and
- 13 WHEREAS, GAHCCI envisions a future where entrepreneurs in Haiti and the Diaspora
- 14 flourish within a financially healthy ecosystem and actively works towards the development
- 15 of Haiti as a fully realized nation; and

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16 WHEREAS, GAHCCI's Pwochen Lidè (Future Leaders) Scholarship has contributed greatly

- 17 to supporting the next generation of Haitian-American leaders, awarding \$60,000 in
- 18 scholarships since its inception; and
- 19 WHEREAS, the Pwochen Lidè Business Awards, a hallmark of GAHCCI's initiatives,
- 20 provides a prestigious platform to honor businesses, organizations, or individuals making
- 21 positive strides in business and contributing significantly to the community; and
- 22 WHEREAS, GAHCCI's BEL Initiative Fellowship offers education, mentorship, and
- 23 exposure to entrepreneurs from Haiti during a summer program in the United States that aims
- 24 to enhance business acumen, connect fellows to valuable resources, and contribute to the
- 25 broader mission of seeing Haiti developed within our lifetime; and
- 26 WHEREAS, GAHCCI's Non-Profit Program collaborates with Community-Based
- 27 Organizations/Civil Society Organizations (CBOs/CSOs) to strengthen their leadership
- 28 capacity, effectively advancing their missions; and
- 29 WHEREAS, through its nonprofit arm, the Georgia Haitian Real Estate Association
- 30 (GHREA), GAHCCI is dedicated to fostering community among real estate professionals
- and promoting diversity within the industry; and
- 32 WHEREAS, members of GAHCCI enjoy a myriad of benefits including monthly business
- 33 coaching, networking and educational events, complimentary advertisements, opportunities
- 34 to serve on chamber committees, special rates on events and consultations, and exclusive
- 35 deals and benefits from esteemed partners such as Anthem Blue Cross Blueshield and
- 36 Staples; and

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37 WHEREAS, under the visionary leadership of President Dr. Ronald Cetoute, Vice President

- 38 & Membership Chair Jacques Laurent, Secretary Jean Casseus, Board Development and Past
- 39 Chair Saurel Quettan, Fundraising Chair Dr. Marjorie Denis, and Community Relations
- 40 Chair Herve Dor, GAHCCI continues to be a beacon of support, collaboration, and growth,
- 41 propelling Haitian-American businesses and communities towards a prosperous and
- 42 interconnected future.
- 43 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 44 the members of this body recognize and commend the Georgia Haitian-American Chamber
- 45 of Commerce Inc. for its many outstanding contributions on behalf of Haiti and the State of
- 46 Georgia as well as extend best wishes for continued success.
- 47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 48 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 49 Georgia Haitian-American Chamber of Commerce Inc.