

House Resolution 44EX

By: Representatives Mallow of the 163rd, Gilliard of the 162nd, and Jackson of the 165th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Beautine Elouise (Law) Shuman; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Beautine Elouise (Law) Shuman on November 3, 2021; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Beautine Elouise (Law) Shuman was born on September 6, 1940, in Savannah,
5 Georgia, where she was raised by her beloved paternal grandparents; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she was joined in holy matrimony to Deacon James Shuman Sr., her devoted
7 husband of 59 years, and in their union they shared a loving family of seven children, 20
8 grandchildren, and a host of great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren, along with
9 siblings, uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces, cousins, and other relatives; and
- 10 WHEREAS, she was baptized at Mt. Bethel Baptist Church, where she served as a member
11 of the Usher Board, president of the choir, a member of the Deaconess Board, and a faithful
12 member of the Home Mission Ministry; and she later joined the Rose of Sharon Baptist
13 Church under the leadership of her son Pastor James Shuman Jr., where she served as the
14 Church Mother until her untimely demise; and

15 WHEREAS, Mother Shuman was known for her singing throughout Savannah's gospel
16 community and was one of the original members of David Taylor and the Pearly Gates; and
17 in 1995, she founded and directed the Children of God gospel group, which consisted of her
18 grandchildren; and

19 WHEREAS, after 28 years of service, she retired from the Candler Hospital Environmental
20 Division and later pursued her passion for caring for others by establishing her home child
21 care, B.E. Toddler's Land, in 1995; and

22 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern
23 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to
24 her family and friends were admired by others; and

25 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
26 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made of her life,
27 she made this world a better place in which to live; and

28 WHEREAS, she possessed the vast wisdom which only comes through experience and the
29 strength of character which is achieved by overcoming the many challenges of life; and

30 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Mother Shuman will long be
31 remembered for her love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who
32 had the great fortune of knowing her.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
34 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Beautine Elouise (Law)
35 Shuman and express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
37 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
38 family of Beautine Elouise (Law) Shuman.