

House Resolution 546

By: Representatives Gullett of the 19th, Welch of the 110th, and Williams of the 148th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Sigma Nu Fraternity, Inc., as they celebrate 150 years of
2 commitment in love, honor, and truth on April 25, 2019, at the Atlanta History Center; and
3 for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Sigma Nu Fraternity, Inc., an honor based organization, was founded in 1869
5 on the campus of Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, Virginia, by James Frank Hopkins,
6 Greenfield Quarles, and James McIlvaine Riley; and

7 WHEREAS, the three founders formed the Legion of Honor, the country's first honor based
8 fraternity, which in turn became Sigma Nu; and

9 WHEREAS, this honor based society upholds the creed of love, honor, and truth to form the
10 Legion of Honor, an organization that continues to manifest its sacred creed: to believe in the
11 life of love, walk in the way of honor, and serve in the light of truth; this is the life, the way,
12 and the light of Sigma Nu; and

13 WHEREAS, Sigma Nu's founders would not accept any form of hazing and instead chose
14 to live as honorable men; and

15 WHEREAS, Sigma Nu stands as a beacon for those who value peace and contentment, and
16 this legacy drives the fraternity to combat systematic abuse and hazing; and

17 WHEREAS, Sigma Nu is dedicated to creating ethical leaders for the future through the
18 implementation of the LEAD program, through which current members and alumni can learn
19 to become tomorrow's leaders; and

20 WHEREAS, currently, Sigma Nu has more than 250,000 members and 166 active chapters
21 across North America; the 11 chapters in Georgia include the Mu Chapter at the University
22 of Georgia, the Kappa Chapter at the University of North Georgia, the Eta Chapter at Mercer

23 University, the Xi Chapter at Emory University, the Gamma Alpha Chapter at the Georgia
24 Institute of Technology, the Eta Gamma Chapter at Georgia State University, the Theta
25 Kappa Chapter at Georgia Southern University, the Theta Pi Chapter at the University of
26 West Georgia, the Iota Pi Chapter at Kennesaw State University, the Mu Nu Chapter at
27 Valdosta State University, and the Mu Xi Chapter at Columbus State University; and

28 WHEREAS, Sigma Nu's track record of developing ethical leaders is evident in both the
29 House and Senate in the state of Georgia; currently, four Sigma Nu members reside in the
30 State House of Representatives and five reside in the State Senate; and

31 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
32 extraordinary fraternity be appropriately recognized.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
34 the members of this body recognize and commend Sigma Nu Fraternity, Inc., for its manifold
35 contributions to the State of Georgia and extend sincere best wishes for continued growth and
36 success.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
38 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
39 Sigma Nu Fraternity, Inc.