

House Resolution 591

By: Representatives Kausche of the 50th, Jones of the 25th, and McLaurin of the 51st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing January 19, 2022, as Dr. Nazeera Dawood Reaffirmation of Diversity in
2 Patriotism Day; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, after having established a career as a medical doctor, Dr. Nazeera Dawood
4 expanded her vision to serve by obtaining a Master of Public Health from the University of
5 North Carolina, Chapel Hill; and

6 WHEREAS, her vision to serve, her academic achievements, and her research experience
7 equipped her to develop and disseminate invaluable information and direction for a variety
8 of constituencies, including scientists and public charitable organizations, addressing health
9 care disparities effectively enough to receive national and international recognition; and

10 WHEREAS, given her effective service on the special Commission on Race and Ethnicity
11 and the Transforming the Community Project on behalf of the Office of the President of
12 Emory University, Dr. Nazeera Dawood was dutifully named as One of 100 Community
13 Builders; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Nazeera Dawood has managed significant collaborative projects throughout
15 Fulton County, the broader metropolitan Atlanta region, and the great State of Georgia,

16 promoting healthy living and shifting constituent and stakeholder mindsets from sickness
17 response to wellness and prevention, leading to trend-setting outcomes and the attainment
18 of major community funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and

19 WHEREAS, later as chief of staff for the Office of the Chairman of the Fulton County Board
20 of Commissioners, Dr. Nazeera Dawood further sharpened her focus on results-driven
21 strategies, cost-effective and optimum quality of service delivery, the pursuit of perfection
22 in governance, and the forging of measurably beneficial public-private partnerships,
23 extending such purposeful social and leadership innovations from community to community
24 for the collective betterment of the good people of the great State of Georgia; and

25 WHEREAS, Dr. Nazeera Dawood has been recognized with the Public Service Award from
26 the American Tamil Medical Association and special awards from other cultural
27 associations; has provided leadership for interfaith collaboration efforts across north central
28 Georgia; has served as president of the South Asian Public Health Association; has served
29 the interests of Georgia communities on the County Schools Health Advisory Board; has
30 volunteered as part of the Inaugural Review Board to explore and plan the launch of the
31 Fulton County Conviction Integrity Unit, the first of its kind for Georgia; and is an esteemed
32 graduate of Leadership Johns Creek and Johns Creek Citizens Auxiliary Police Services,
33 while maintaining an active role as a board member of Compassionate Atlanta; and

34 WHEREAS, Dr. Nazeera Dawood conceived of, established, and has continued to organize
35 monthly Chai and just Chat multicultural engagement forums since 2017 to bridge
36 communities and integrate resources among varied stakeholders and influencers around
37 discussions, debates, and expert examination of relevant issues, customs, and
38 neighborhood-specific objectives; and

39 WHEREAS, Dr. Nazeera Dawood has become for Georgia an appreciable model of social
40 entrepreneurship as a minority business owner who promotes the inclusion of all Georgians
41 in the fruit of shared service, shared ideas, and shared commitment to the greater American
42 good; through such a vista, she has founded and managed along with a team of minority
43 women the start-up company Vendorship to connect and to broaden the field of
44 well-prepared small entrepreneurs and larger companies alike as well as to answer the
45 service-delivery needs of public-sector leadership in responding to shifting expectations and
46 demands of communities and constituencies across the great State of Georgia and the nation;
47 and

48 WHEREAS, Dr. Nazeera Dawood, having made Georgia her home since 2005 and having
49 remained firmly fixed in all things Georgia to become a United States citizen in 2008, settled
50 to work for Georgia as a professional and as a mother, mounting a campaign to serve in local
51 elected public office in 2015 as part of tirelessly exploring and advancing every opportunity
52 to demonstrate her passion for Georgia, her passion for inclusion, and her most patriotic and
53 passionate pursuit of the American Dream; and

54 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the example of patriotism that is this
55 extraordinary servant leader be appropriately recognized.

56 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
57 the members of this body recognize January 19, 2022, as Dr. Nazeera Dawood Reaffirmation
58 of Diversity in Patriotism Day and extend best wishes for her continued success.

59 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
60 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Dr.
61 Nazeera Dawood.