

House Resolution 738

By: Representatives Adeyina of the 110th, Burnough of the 77th, Olaleye of the 59th, Scott of the 76th, and Bentley of the 150th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the Third Annual Yoruba Cultural Days Celebration in Georgia on May 15-16,
2 2023; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Yoruba Tribe is one of the largest African ethnic groups south of the Sahara
4 Desert, predominantly located in the South Western Nigeria and constituting about 45
5 million people in the world; and

6 WHEREAS, Yoruba people are prolific educators, sculptors, farmers, and social and political
7 advocates who live around the world, including places like the Republic of Benin, Northern
8 Togo, Brazil, Cuba, Portuguese countries, Canada, United Kingdom, Germany, Trinidad,
9 Tobago, and the United States of America as well as speaking thirty dialects of the Yoruba
10 language; and

11 WHEREAS, the Yoruba Tribe makes a huge impact through community service and
12 economic influence in the State of Georgia; and

13 WHEREAS, the idea of the Yoruba Day Festival in Georgia was created in January 2020.
14 The Third Annual Yoruba Cultural Celebration Day is spearheaded by Royal Diadem
15 International Consortium Inc.; JilTech International LLC; High Chief Emmanuel Adeolu

16 Adeyemo, The Ogboye of Papalanto, Ewekoro, Ogun State; and the Honorable Valencia
17 Stovall, former state representative, in collaboration with Yoruba Elite Munchen (Germany);
18 Foundation For Royal Diadem Children Empowerment (Nigeria); Oluyemisi Elizabeth
19 Akinremi; and His Royal Majesty, Oba Jimoh Rasaki Ishola Famuyiwa, The Onipapa of
20 Papalanto, Ewekoro, Ogun State, Nigeria; and

21 WHEREAS, this event will be held in the presence of His Royal Majesty, the Oba Oluwu of
22 Owu Kingdom Professor Saka Matemilola, Owu, Ogun State, Nigeria, to expose Georgians
23 and people worldwide to the unique rich culture and traditions of the Yoruba people as
24 exhibited through fashion, dance, music, poetry, artifacts, storytelling, and food while
25 fostering unity and appreciation between the African diaspora and African Americans; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the cultural importance of the remarkable
27 Yoruba people be recognized appropriately.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body recognize the Third Annual Yoruba Cultural Days Celebration in
30 Georgia on May 15-16, 2023.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
33 public and the press.