

House Resolution 936

By: Representatives Howard of the 124th, Prince of the 127th, Nelson of the 125th, and Frazier of the 126th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Augusta Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc., for its outstanding
2 achievements; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Augusta Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc., was chartered in May
4 1970, by National President Mirian Shropshire; and

5 WHEREAS, George Jenkins was installed as the Chapter's second President in May 1972;
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7 WHEREAS, in April of 1974, the Augusta Chapter hosted the Georgia Mothers' Workday
8 Conference; and

9 WHEREAS, Norma Delley, the Chapter's sixth President, and Emma Lou Starks, the seventh
10 President, continued to grow and address the needs of the Chapter and the community.
11 Juanita McIntyre served as President during the years 1984-1986, followed by Mildred
12 (Miki) Kendrick, who was installed in 1986. Ruth E. Neal served as President from
13 1988-1990, and Beverly Johnson served from 1990-1992. They each had an enthusiastic
14 desire to continue excellent programming and to work together as a progressive organization
15 for the betterment of the children; and

16 WHEREAS, Shelia L. McFalls served as the Chapter's President from 2000-2004 followed
17 by Marsha Jones Moorman who served from 2004-2006. Audrey S. Alleyne served from
18 2006-2008. The Chapter embraced the programs endorsed by the national organization
19 through its continued partnership with the Lucy Craft Laney Museum of Black History.
20 Deborah Diggs Brown was installed as the next President in 2008; and

21 WHEREAS, Stacy Davis was installed as the next President, serving from 2014-2016. The
22 Augusta Chapter was represented at the National Convention held in Charlotte, North
23 Carolina, the Regional Convention held in Montgomery, Alabama, Mothers' Work Day in

24 Orlando and Atlanta, and the Teen Regional Conferences in Memphis and Miami. Two
25 teens, Kylii Clay and Tederrell Johnson, received the National President's Service Award for
26 their outstanding commitment to community service. Audrey Alleyne was installed as the
27 next President and served from 2016-2018. The Chapter carried out a robust membership
28 intake program which led to 11 new mothers initiated in May 2017; and

29 WHEREAS, Regional Director Kornisha Brown appointed Mom Monique Walker to serve
30 as the Regional Co-Editor, Mom Donna Adams-Pickett to serve on the Watch Us Transform
31 Health Advocacy Committee, and Dad Damion Clay to serve on the Regional Fathers'
32 Auxiliary Committee. Mom Leila Jerome Clay was elected as an alternate to the Jack and Jill
33 of America, Inc. Southeastern Region Nominating Committee. The Chapter was saddened
34 by the drowning death of young Princeton Meadors. As a result, the Chapter took part in the
35 Jack and Jill of America, Inc./American Red Cross Swimming Saves Lives program to honor
36 his memory; and

37 WHEREAS, in 2019, the Chapter continued fundraising and service by hosting the Annual
38 Golf Tournament and hosted the first-ever "Bubbles and Bling" fundraising event. These
39 events allowed the Chapter to raise over \$28,000.00. The Chapter partnered with Murphy
40 Middle School to start JJ's Closet and provide much-needed resources for middle school
41 students.

42 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
43 the members of this body commend the outstanding achievements of the Augusta Chapter
44 of Jack and Jill of America, Inc., and wish it continued success as it pursues its outstanding
45 work in Augusta.

46 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
47 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
48 Augusta Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc.