

## Senate Resolution 506

By: Senators Henson of the 41st, Rahman of the 5th, Butler of the 55th, Williams of the 39th, Harrell of the 40th and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the 100th Anniversary of the installation of the Charter of Local 613 of the  
2 International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and recognizing the impacts and  
3 achievements of this IBEW Local in the City of Atlanta and in the State of Georgia; and for  
4 other purposes.

5 WHEREAS, on October 25, 1919, the National Brotherhood of Electrical Workers admitted  
6 Local 613, which at the time organized for the 40 hour work week and \$1.00 an hour; and

7 WHEREAS, Local 613 has built a democratic local union that allows workers a voice in  
8 determining their role at the workplace, in the union, and in the community; and

9 WHEREAS, understanding the importance of formal training for electrical work as early as  
10 January, 1921, Local 613 established an education program to be conducted at the Georgia  
11 Institute of Technology; and

12 WHEREAS, because of the competence of these union electricians, the City of Atlanta ruled  
13 in July, 1923, "All city wiring to be done by union men"; and

14 WHEREAS, through collaboration between Local 613 and NECA Contractors, the Joint  
15 Apprenticeship Training Center educates over 2,000 future wiremen and wirewomen in its  
16 various programs; and

17 WHEREAS, in the fall of 1969, on the 50th anniversary of Local 613's charter, the IBEW  
18 Building was dedicated at the time One Electric Plaza, now 501 Pulliam Street; and

19 WHEREAS, the skilled electricians of Local 613 have wired Atlanta and Georgia icons from  
20 the Fox Historic Theater in 1929 to Mercedes Benz Stadium and Sun Trust Park in 2017; and

21 WHEREAS, starting from its humble beginning in the fall of 1919 with 12 charter members  
22 and their families to representing and bargaining for over 4,200 members and their families  
23 in 2019; and

24 WHEREAS, throughout its history, IBEW Local 613 has demonstrated a strong commitment  
25 to improving work conditions, pay, and security for its hardworking electricians; its members  
26 play a positive and stabilizing role in the industry while offering exceptional service to  
27 clients and members of the community.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
29 honor Local 613, IBEW, its officers, and members on the occasion of the 100th anniversary  
30 of the installation of their charter.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
32 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to IBEW Local 613.