

House Resolution 1090

By: Representatives Scott of the 76th, Davis of the 87th, and Schofield of the 63rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Erma Jean Gore Killings; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Erma Jean Gore Killings on January 27, 2024; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Erma Jean Gore Killings was born in Fort Valley, Georgia, on February 22,
5 1942, a beloved daughter of Robert and Catherine Gore; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she graduated from H. A. Hunt High School and Fort Valley State University
7 and moved to Atlanta after the late Josephus Johnson asked her to come and work for the
8 United States Department of Agriculture, which enabled her to travel across the United States
9 and the Virgin Islands; and
- 10 WHEREAS, she continued her postgraduate studies at the University of Georgia, Georgia
11 State University, and Georgia Southern University; and
- 12 WHEREAS, she taught and later became an administrator at Rockdale County High School
13 as well as teaching at Morris Brown College and at the former Walter F. George High School
14 in Atlanta; and

15 WHEREAS, she balanced her career with service at the Hosea Feed the Hungry Organization
16 and DeKalb Hillandale Cancer Support and fun as a member of the Atlanta Braves 400 Fan
17 Club attending the baseball games with her season tickets; and

18 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, she was an active member of the Hillside
19 Presbyterian Church; and

20 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage to her husband, Willie, and was blessed
21 with a remarkable son, Justin, two wonderful granddaughters, and one great-granddaughter;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern
24 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to
25 her family and friends were admired by others; and

26 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
27 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made of her life,
28 she made this world a better place in which to live; and

29 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, she will long be remembered for her
30 love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great
31 fortune of knowing her.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
33 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Erma Jean Gore Killings
34 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
36 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
37 family of Erma Jean Gore Killings.