

## House Resolution 1218

By: Representatives Hugley of the 136<sup>th</sup>, Smith of the 134<sup>th</sup>, Smyre of the 135<sup>th</sup>, and Buckner of the 137<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Ms. Patricia Gant; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Ms. Patricia Gant, a community activist and volunteer from Columbus, Georgia,  
3 is the recipient of the Ernestine A. Mack Service to Mankind Award for her enthusiastic  
4 involvement in service work; and

5 WHEREAS, she has been actively involved in the Columbus area for more than 30 years,  
6 devoting countless hours to volunteering for numerous projects and charities, including the  
7 State Farm Achievement Matters Program for middle school students; the Ronald McDonald  
8 House; the House of Mercy; the Columbus Battered Women Shelter; the Columbus Regional  
9 High Risk Nursery; Meals on Wheels; the Muscogee County Foster Children's Program; and  
10 the American Cancer Society; and

11 WHEREAS, her work in service has been recognized not only by the Davis Broadcasting  
12 Inc. Cheryl Davis Award; Columbus Chamber of Commerce Hometown Hero Award;  
13 Columbus Times' Women Leadership Award; Corinth Baptist Church's Encouragement  
14 Award; Debouch Chapter Woman of the Year and President Award; South Columbus  
15 Community Service Award; and Congressional Recognition Award from Congressman  
16 Sanford O. Bishop, Jr., but countless others; and

17 WHEREAS, an active member of the Corinth Missionary Baptist Church, where her husband  
18 of 36 years, Reverend James Gant, is the pastor, Ms. Gant is mother to daughter, Brandy, and  
19 grandmother to grandson, Camron; and

20 WHEREAS, she received her Georgia Insurance License from Columbus State University,  
21 is the office manager to James Gant State Farm agency, and is the owner of Elevators  
22 Fashion, a clothing business that has allowed her to host a charity fashion show benefit at the  
23 Fox Theatre in Atlanta; and

24 WHEREAS, through her work with the benefit and Elevators Fashion, Ms. Gant donates  
25 clothes to the Greater Beulah Baptist Church Clothing Bank and also provides food for  
26 low-income families and homeless people in the area; and

27 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
28 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
30 the members of this body commend Ms. Patricia Gant for her dedicated and unselfish service  
31 to her community and state.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
33 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Ms.  
34 Patricia Gant.