

House Resolution 1360

By: Representatives Stovall of the 74th, Scott of the 76th, Burnough of the 77th, Thomas of the 56th, and Jones of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating Virginia Freeman Ford on receiving the 2018 Yellow Rose Nikki T. Randall
2 Servant Leader award; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Virginia Freeman Ford has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
4 the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the
5 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state as evidenced
8 dramatically by her superlative service with the Clayton Center for more than 34 years; and

9 WHEREAS, she is an active member of her church, participates in her local community
10 government, and serves as her family historian; and

11 WHEREAS, Virginia's significant organizational and leadership talents, her remarkable
12 patience and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her sensitivity to the needs of the
13 citizens of this state have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and
14 associates; and

15 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
16 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

17 WHEREAS, she enjoys providing activities within the community for people with
18 disabilities to attend, including an elaborate fashion show complete with stage, runway, and
19 dinner, and has opened up her home to parents who seek respite while tending to the needs
20 of their disabled child; and

21 WHEREAS, Virginia has served with honor and distinction as president of The Arc of
22 Clayton County and as a member of the State Board of The Arc of Georgia, and her vision

23 and unyielding commitment to the inclusion, transition, and acceptance of those with
24 intellectual and developmental differences have set the standard for public service; and

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

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body congratulate Virginia Freeman Ford on receiving the 2018 Yellow
29 Rose Nikki T. Randall Servant Leader award.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
32 Virginia Freeman Ford.