

House Resolution 1463

By: Representatives Gambill of the 15th, Scoggins of the 14th, Jones of the 47th, Smyre of the 135th, and England of the 116th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Julie Kerlin on her outstanding public service with the Office
2 of Government and Community Affairs at Georgia State University; and for other purposes.

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

6 WHEREAS, Julie's significant organizational and leadership talents, remarkable patience and
7 diplomacy, keen sense of vision, and sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this state have
8 earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and associates; and

9 WHEREAS, Julie has worked for Georgia State University (GSU) for the past eight and a
10 half years as a liaison with local, state, and federal officials; prior to GSU, Julie served as
11 vice president for government relations and chief advocacy officer at the Medical College
12 of Georgia, now named Augusta University. In that role, she secured funding for programs
13 and capital projects, including a state-wide medical education expansion and a new \$112
14 million facility for the College of Dental Medicine; and

15 WHEREAS, her career in state government began in 1983 as a part of Governor Joe Frank
16 Harris' staff; she later joined the Georgia Building Authority as a public information officer;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Julie has also worked for the Georgia Department of Community Health, which
19 was, at the time, a \$12 billion agency responsible for administration of this state's Medicaid
20 and PeachCare for Kids programs, the State Health Benefit Plan, and other health regulatory
21 programs; and

22 WHEREAS, this native of Tucker received her Bachelor of Arts in international trade from
23 Auburn University, where she serves on the Auburn University College of Liberal Arts
24 Dean's Advisory Council and the Women's Leadership Institute; and

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

27 WHEREAS, Julie has served with honor and distinction in the field of public policy, and her
28 vision and unyielding commitment will be sorely missed upon the occasion of her retirement;
29 and

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

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
33 the members of this body recognize and commend Julie Kerlin for her efficient, effective,
34 unselfish, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia; congratulate her upon the
35 grand occasion of her retirement; and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued
36 health and happiness.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
38 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Julie
39 Kerlin.