

House Resolution 153

By: Representatives Willis of the 55th and Jackson of the 165th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Helen Marie Richardson Louis; 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 Helen Marie Richardson Louis; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Helen Marie Richardson Louis was born on October 27, 1943, in Savannah,
5 Georgia, the beloved daughter of Joseph Richardson Sr. and Florine Rogers Strong; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she earned a bachelor's degree with honors in education from Savannah State
7 College before relocating to Atlanta, Georgia, to begin her career as an educator, later
8 obtaining a master's degree in education from Georgia State University and completing all
9 course work toward a Doctorate in Education at Walden University; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Helen Marie Richardson Louis dedicated 37 years of service to the Atlanta
11 Public School System as an elementary school teacher and school psychologist, where she
12 was entrusted with some of the most challenging classrooms, commanded the respect of
13 students and colleagues alike, and received numerous accolades for her outstanding
14 contributions to education; and

15 WHEREAS, initiated into the Atlanta Alumnae Chapter on December 13, 1980, she was a
16 Golden Life Member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, where she co-chaired
17 several committees and offered mentorship to undergraduate members; and

18 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, she gave her life to Christ at an early age
19 at First Evergreen Baptist Church in Savannah and later became an active member of
20 Antioch Baptist Church North in Atlanta, where she participated in the CMA Bell Choir, the
21 Verse Speaking Choir, and the Usher Board; and

22 WHEREAS, Helen Marie Richardson Louis was a beloved mother, grandmother, and
23 matriarch, leaving behind a legacy of love and encouragement for her two daughters,
24 Quadralyn and DeVita, as well as her two grandchildren, Charles and Micala, whom she
25 adored and supported throughout their lives and accomplishments; and

26 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Helen Marie Richardson Louis will long
27 be remembered for her love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all
28 who had the great fortune of knowing her.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Helen Marie Richardson
31 Louis and express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

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 the
34 family of Helen Marie Richardson Louis.