

House Resolution 1628

By: Representatives Adeyina of the 110th, Neal of the 79th, Reese of the 140th, Cummings of the 39th, and Hugley of the 141st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Tiwa Aganga-Williams; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Tiwa Aganga-Williams, widely known as Tiwa Works, is a British-born
3 Nigerian American entrepreneur whose ventures have left a profound mark on diverse
4 industries both within the United States and internationally; and

5 WHEREAS, his entrepreneurial path was sparked during his studies for a Bachelor of Arts
6 in Computer Information Systems at Georgia Southwestern State University in Americus,
7 Georgia; and

8 WHEREAS, while at Georgia Southwestern State University, he is a member of Kappa
9 Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., and this experience led to his becoming the visionary behind the
10 Atlanta Greek Picnic, an event he founded in 2004; and

11 WHEREAS, the Atlanta Greek Picnic rapidly grew from a modest beginning to become a
12 significant cultural festival for members of historically black fraternities and sororities,
13 drawing in more than 355,000 participants to date and delivering an estimated \$25 million
14 yearly economic boost to Atlanta; and

15 WHEREAS, this event, in collaboration with the AGP Foundation, has allocated over
16 \$200,000.00 in scholarships nationwide; and

17 WHEREAS, in 2008, he also launched ABE - All Black Everything, which has risen to
18 prominence as a symbol of excellence and prestige among international professional circles,
19 particularly celebrated in Lagos, Nigeria, and Accra, Ghana, aligning with the "Year of
20 Return" in 2019 and the globally celebrated tourism event of "Detty December"; and

21 WHEREAS, beyond his entrepreneurial activities and numerous businesses, he is deeply
22 committed to mental health awareness, local politics, and nonprofit advocacy, giving
23 generously of his time and talents to numerous charitable and civic organizations; and

24 WHEREAS, he values being a father, brother, and a steadfast friend, prizing the deep
25 connections and cultural impact he fosters above all; and

26 WHEREAS, his career not only highlights his innovative mind set and leadership prowess
27 but also his dedication to societal contribution and cultural enrichment; and

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

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
31 the members of this body recognize and commend Tiwa Aganga-Williams, thank him for his
32 efforts of behalf of his community and state, and extend the most sincere best wishes for
33 continued health and happiness.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
35 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Tiwa
36 Aganga-Williams.