

House Resolution 1708

By: Representatives Schofield of the 60th, Dreyer of the 59th, and Cannon of the 58th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Eslene Richmond-Shockley, founder, president, and CEO of
2 Caring For Others; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, founded in 2001 in Atlanta, Georgia, Caring For Others has stretched its arms
4 around the world by providing food, clothing, and life's basic necessities to struggling
5 families; and

6 WHEREAS, Eslene Richmond-Shockley founded Caring For Others with only \$25.00 in her
7 pocket and a vision to change the face of poverty; and

8 WHEREAS, Caring For Others exists to help individuals and families struggling with
9 poverty to live with dignity; and

10 WHEREAS, Caring For Others has served more than three million individuals in the United
11 States and throughout the world; and

12 WHEREAS, Caring For Others has a global impact through its hubs in Antigua, Barbuda,
13 Nigeria, and Guyana, as well as through its partnerships with local agencies to reach
14 communities in Belize, Santo Domingo, and the Philippines; and

15 WHEREAS, Caring For Others Community Holiday Giving Program distributes toys,
16 clothes, food, household goods, and other items to hundreds of families who may not be able
17 to provide a meal or warm clothing for their families during the winter and Thanksgiving and
18 Christmas holidays; and

19 WHEREAS, the Caring For Others Catastrophic Relief Program provides new clothing and
20 new furniture to families and individuals who have been burned out of their homes, victims
21 of flood or tornadoes or natural elements beyond their control, and those who are
22 transitioning from homelessness; and

23 WHEREAS, Caring For Others Community Partnership Program leverages more than 110
24 partnerships with local, national, nonprofit, and government agencies, and communities of
25 faith; and

26 WHEREAS, No Bare Soles Distribution, Spring and Grow, Books for Better Children, Child
27 Safety Week, and YO Boulevard Partnership have become signature events that help reach
28 and serve more families and children across the nation; and

29 WHEREAS, Caring For Others Food and Senior & Disabled Program allows seniors and the
30 disabled to receive food, household and personal effects, clothing, coats, and shoes that they
31 would normally go without because of economic constraints; and

32 WHEREAS, Caring For Others offers the ERS Scholarship Care Fund, developed by Eslene
33 Richmond-Shockley, through which children are given the chance to complete their
34 postsecondary education; and

35 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding service of this
36 extraordinary charitable organization and its inspirational founder be appropriately
37 recognized.

38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
39 the members of this body recognize and commend Eslene Richmond-Shockley for her
40 phenomenal contributions to those in need and extend their most sincere best wishes for
41 continued success.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
43 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
44 Eslene Richmond-Shockley.