

House Resolution 1709

By: Representatives Alexander of the 66th, Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Gravley of the 67th, Jones of the 62nd, and Bruce of the 61st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Junior League of Douglas County; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the Service League of Douglas County was formed in 1973 by several energetic
3 women who were interested in the betterment of Douglas County; and
- 4 WHEREAS, as this group of women expanded, volunteer placement requirements changed
5 to meet the needs of the membership, and different service hour requirements were
6 established for professional and nonprofessional members; and
- 7 WHEREAS, in 1987, after several years of growth in membership, the Service League
8 members voted to affiliate with the Association of Junior Leagues International, Inc., an
9 organization devoted to taking action through volunteerism; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the Junior League of Douglas County admitted 101 women into its membership
11 in January, 1988, while working to gather the information on themselves and their
12 community that was required by the organization; and finally, after several visits and an
13 enormous amount of work, the process of affiliation was completed in 1990; and
- 14 WHEREAS, over the past 40 years, the Service League of Douglas County and later the
15 Junior League of Douglas County have been committed to community projects, such as
16 Board of Education Tutoring, United Way Advisory, Treasure Chests, the Special Olympics,
17 Story Time at Douglas County Library, the Red Cross, League of Women Voters, and
18 Adopt-a-School, to name a few; and
- 19 WHEREAS, the league's most ambitious project to date has been the building of the
20 Children's Playgarden at the Clinton Nature Preserve in Douglas County; and

21 WHEREAS, the Children's Playgarden is the first truly wheelchair accessible playground in
22 the county and the first completed Boundless Playgrounds project in Georgia; it is a fun, safe,
23 and challenging play area for children of all abilities; and

24 WHEREAS, the culmination of community service work and countless hours of volunteer
25 time have improved the quality of life in the Douglas County community, not only for league
26 members, but also for all residents.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body recognize and commend the Junior League of Douglas County for
29 its outstanding dedication and commitment to its community and the State of Georgia and
30 express their most sincere best wishes for continued success.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Junior League of
33 Douglas County.