

House Resolution 1730

By: Representatives Thomas of the 56th, Bruce of the 61st, and Jones of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Bishop Barbara Lewis King; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Bishop Barbara Lewis King, affectionately called Dr. Barbara, is the
3 Founder/Minister of the Hillside Chapel and Truth Center, Inc., in Atlanta, Georgia, and she
4 began this nondenominational, ecumenical ministry in 1971 with 12 members in her living
5 room and now has a growing congregation numbering more than 10,000; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a native of Houston, Texas, Dr. Barbara is a consecrated Bishop and Prelate,
7 whose ministry has extended throughout the world; and
- 8 WHEREAS, in 1963, she joined thousands at the March on Washington after Dr. King's, "I
9 Have a Dream" speech prompted her to commit fully to the cause of Civil Rights and the
10 necessity to promote change in the lives of all Americans; and
- 11 WHEREAS, in 2001, Dr. Barbara received the highest honor bestowed upon a woman in
12 Africa, and through elaborate ceremonies, rituals and prayers, she became the first female
13 to be enstooled as a Chief at Assin Nsuta, Ghana, West Africa; and
- 14 WHEREAS, her stool name is Nana Yaa Twumwaa I, and Nana means Chief, Yaa means
15 Thursday's child, a child with special spiritual power, special energy, and special courage;
16 and
- 17 WHEREAS, Twumwaa is related to the name of Yaa Asantawaa, who is a spiritual sister of
18 Nana Yaa Twumwaa I and a national hero to the Ashanti people of Ghana; and
- 19 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
20 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
22 the members of this body recognize and commend Bishop Barbara Lewis King and extend
23 sincere best wishes for continued success.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
25 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
26 Bishop Barbara Lewis King.