

House Resolution 1901

By: Representative Hugley of the 136th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Ms. Shankeia Pollard; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Ms. Shankeia Pollard faced many challenges as a young girl, and it is through
3 her personal experiences and overcoming adversity that she was able to find success and
4 become an inspiring leader and mentor; and

5 WHEREAS, she is the founder and CEO of Education is the Answer (EITA), which she has
6 funded completely out of pocket for eight years, and the current chairwoman of the Mayor's
7 Commission on Unity, Diversity, and Prosperity; and

8 WHEREAS, EITA is a youth and young adult focused organization that provides numerous
9 charitable services, such as youth intervention, HIV testing and counseling, and homeless
10 outreach; and

11 WHEREAS, in the spirit of community mobilization, Ms. Pollard has taken in many children
12 who need a home for indefinite periods of time; she has shown unique empathy in these
13 pursuits and is committed to helping the young people of her community find and pursue
14 their individual potential; and

15 WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Georgia, she has demonstrated her commitment to the
16 Chattahoochee Valley area through her countless charitable contributions and is a pillar in
17 the Muscogee County community, serving on multiple executive boards, steering
18 committees, and advisory groups dedicated to improving the Columbus area; and

19 WHEREAS, Ms. Pollard recently completed her Master of Business Administration with
20 Cum Laude distinction and has been inducted into the National Society of Leadership and
21 Success for her outstanding efforts; and

22 WHEREAS, she continues to make a lasting, positive impact on her community while
23 juggling her myriad obligations as a nurse, mentor for children in low-income schools,
24 full-time mother and grandmother/surrogate mother, wife, and public servant; and

25 WHEREAS, her passion and dedication to public service is unmatched, and there is no one
26 more deserving of recognition than Ms. Shankeia Pollard.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body recognize Ms. Shankeia Pollard for her efficient, effective,
29 unselfish, and dedicated public service to her community and the State of Georgia and extend
30 best wishes for continued health and happiness.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Ms.
33 Shankeia Pollard.