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House Resolution 312

By: Representatives Scott of the 76<sup>th</sup>, Davis of the 87<sup>th</sup>, Gladney of the 130<sup>th</sup>, Schofield of the 63<sup>rd</sup>, Burnough of the 77<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Ebony Austin; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Ebony Austin is a distinguished local business owner who sustained her
- 3 restaurant, Nouveau Bar & Grill, during the COVID-19 pandemic, keeping over 50
- 4 employees despite the unprecedented hardships; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Nouveau Bar & Grill originally gained national attention for its Ultimate Cajun
- 6 Seafood and Grits dish consisting of char-grilled shrimp, salmon, and crab meat served over
- 7 stone ground grits and topped over Cajun cream sauce; and
- 8 WHEREAS, with locations in both College Park and Jonesboro, this outstanding eatery has
- 9 gained much popularity in Atlanta's lounge and fine dining landscape and has hosted
- 10 renowned celebrities such as Kandi Burruss, 2 Chainz, Trina, Angela Simmons, T.I., and
- 11 more; and
- WHEREAS, this past Christmas, Ebony made national headlines for providing over 3,100
- 13 families at her annual toy drive with cash, gift cards, gaming systems, electronics, and more;
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15 WHEREAS, as additional testament to her philanthropic spirit, she also gave away two

- 16 homes to families in need and presented \$5,000 to HBCU students at the event; and
- 17 WHEREAS, each month, the restaurant gives out free dinners to medical professionals,
- writes checks to area schools, collects toys for the holidays, and offers discounts to residents;
- 19 and
- 20 WHEREAS, Ebony and her restaurant have been featured on numerous news outlets and
- 21 television shows, including The Real Housewives of Atlanta, Atlanta News First, 11Alive,
- 22 FOX 5 Atlanta, Forbes, Eater, Atlanta Fi, and more; and
- 23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable individual be
- 24 appropriately honored.
- 25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 26 the members of this body recognize and commend Ebony Austin and her restaurant, Nouveau
- 27 Bar & Grill, and extend best wishes for continued growth, development, and success.
- 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 29 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
- 30 Ebony Austin.