

## House Resolution 388

By: Representatives Schofield of the 60<sup>th</sup>, Scott of the 76<sup>th</sup>, Beasley-Teague of the 65<sup>th</sup>, Dickerson of the 113<sup>th</sup>, Alexander of the 66<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the historic Atlantic Southeast Airlines Flight Crew 5202; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on February 12, 2009, Atlantic Southeast Airlines flights 5202 (Atlanta to  
4 Nashville) and 5106 (Nashville to Atlanta) became the first commercial jet revenue flights  
5 to be operated by an all-female African American crew: Rachelle Jones, Stephanie Grant,  
6 Diana Galloway, and Robin Rogers; and

7 WHEREAS, Jones, Galloway, and Rogers had been flying with a first officer who left the  
8 trip early due to illness and First Officer Grant was called to fill in; and

9 WHEREAS, each woman took a unique path to a career in aviation: Stephanie Grant was  
10 originally in the military, Rachelle Jones worked at a ticket gate, and Robin Rogers ran a  
11 day-care center; and

12 WHEREAS, Captain Rachelle Jones and First Officer Stephanie Grant piloted the Canadair  
13 Regional Jet CRJ-700 with flight attendants Robin Rogers and Diana Galloway taking care  
14 of the passengers on both flights; and

15 WHEREAS, Captain Rachelle Jones was one of ten black female airline captains in the  
16 country and completed her upgrade training during April, 2008, to become the first African  
17 American female captain at Atlantic Southeast Airlines; and

18 WHEREAS, Atlantic Southeast Airlines, part of the Delta Connection, is owned by SkyWest,  
19 Inc.; and

20 WHEREAS, flight crews are chosen at random, but never in history was a crew made up  
21 exclusively of African American women; and

22 WHEREAS, Jones is now a first officer with Delta Air Lines, Grant is a first officer with  
23 ExpressJet, Galloway is an entrepreneur, and Rogers is a flight attendant with ExpressJet;  
24 and

25 WHEREAS, history was made when the first all-female African American flight crew took  
26 to the skies and the fearless foursome flew from Atlanta to Nashville.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
28 the members of this body recognize the Atlantic Southeast Airlines Flight Crew 5202 as the  
29 first all-female African American flight crew and commend its historic nature.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
32 Atlantic Southeast Airlines Flight Crew 5202.