

House Resolution 525

By: Representatives Cannon of the 58th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, and Clark of the 108th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Mr. Marshall Rancifer and dedicating an intersection in his memory; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Marshall Rancifer was born on August 13, 1956, in Chicago, Illinois, and
4 attended school in Atlanta, Georgia, where he began his life-long commitment to public
5 service as a student crossing guard in fifth grade at E.R. Carter Elementary School; and

6 WHEREAS, as an adult and after struggling with addiction himself, Mr. Rancifer was
7 inspired to help others through outreach; and

8 WHEREAS, since 1998, Mr. Rancifer has helped provide housing for 3,700 people who
9 were living on the streets and helped enroll 2,000 people in addiction treatment programs;
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11 WHEREAS, in 2009, he became certified to provide HIV testing and linkage to care and
12 since then has provided stigma free HIV and Hepatitis C testing across metropolitan Atlanta
13 and distributed 10,000 safe sex kits through his organization, the Justice For All Coalition;
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15 WHEREAS, his compassion for others was evident in his outreach to unhoused individuals
16 during severe cold weather, providing transport to warming centers, earning a reputation for
17 his delicious soup, and distributing hand warmers, socks, and emergency blankets; and

18 WHEREAS, through the Justice For All Coalition, Mr. Rancifer also provided the unhoused
19 population of Atlanta with assistance in obtaining identification cards and transitional
20 housing and assisted with donations of tents, sleeping bags, and inflatable mattresses; and

21 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
22 Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an intersection in his memory.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
24 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the intersection of State Route 8/U.S. Route 278 and
25 Piedmont Avenue in Fulton County is dedicated as the Marshall Rancifer Memorial
26 Intersection.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
28 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Marshall Rancifer Memorial
29 Intersection.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
32 family of Mr. Marshall Rancifer and to the Department of Transportation.