

House Resolution 581

By: Representatives Hawkins of the 27th, Dubnik of the 29th, Dunahoo of the 30th, and Barr of the 103rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Emily "Sissy" Dunlap Lawson on being named Gainesville Rotary Club's 2016
2 Woman of the Year; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Gainesville Mayor Danny Dunagan presented the club's 2016 Woman of the
4 Year award to Emily "Sissy" Dunlap Lawson; and

5 WHEREAS, Emily "Sissy" Dunlap Lawson has long been recognized by the citizens of this
6 state for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment
7 to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

8 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,
9 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state as evidenced
10 dramatically by her superlative two decades of service on the Gainesville City Council,
11 becoming the first female to be elected to public office in Gainesville, Georgia; and

12 WHEREAS, Sissy's significant organizational and leadership talents, her remarkable patience
13 and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of
14 this state have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and associates; and

15 WHEREAS, she is a prolific volunteer and leader of the Elachee Nature Science Center,
16 originator of Friends of the Parks, has been named Girl Scouts Woman of Distinction, and
17 serves as a University of Georgia trustee; and

18 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
19 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

20 WHEREAS, Sissy has served with honor and distinction as a community leader, and her
21 vision and unyielding commitment have set the standard for public service; and

22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
23 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body recognize and commend Emily "Sissy" Dunlap Lawson for her
26 efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the State of Georgia and for
27 being named Gainesville Rotary Club's 2016 Woman of the Year.

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 Emily "Sissy" Dunlap Lawson.