

House Resolution 715

By: Representative Moore of the 91st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the Honorable Thomas E. Brown; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Thomas E. Brown is a graduate of the Fulton County Regional Law
3 Enforcement Academy; and began his law enforcement career in 1989 as county public
4 safety director for DeKalb County, where he managed the county's police, fire, emergency
5 medical services, and animal control departments, the 911 communications center, and
6 emergency management; and

7 WHEREAS, after serving as the Deputy Fire Chief in Atlanta, Thomas E. Brown became the
8 first African American fire chief in DeKalb County, Georgia, from 1985 until 1990; and

9 WHEREAS, in 2001, he was elected DeKalb County's Sheriff, where after four terms had
10 solidified his reputation as a person of unquestioned integrity and dedication to the sound
11 principles of law enforcement; and

12 WHEREAS, during his years with DeKalb County, he implemented community-oriented
13 policing services, led the department of public safety in successful efforts to obtain national
14 accreditation with the Commission on Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies, and

15 established fire safety programs taught in the county school system, which resulted in a large
16 decrease in fire-related deaths in residential homes; and

17 WHEREAS, his leadership and guidance have been instrumental as a member of the National
18 Sheriffs Association, the National Organization of Law Enforcement Executives, and the
19 Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated; and

20 WHEREAS, the Honorable Thomas E. Brown was nominated by President Joseph R. Biden
21 Jr., confirmed by the United States Senate, and appointed on October 17, 2022, to serve as
22 the United States Marshal for the Northern District of Georgia; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
24 Georgian be recognized appropriately.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body recognize the Honorable Thomas E. Brown for his many
27 outstanding years of service and extend best wishes for future health, happiness, 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 the
30 Honorable Thomas E. Brown.