

House Resolution 732

By: Representatives Wilensky of the 79th, Wilson of the 80th, Bennett of the 94th, Bazemore of the 63rd, and Drenner of the 85th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and congratulating the Honorable Donna Pittman; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, in the course of the evolving development of the State of Georgia, when the
3 ingredients of shared concern and responsive endeavor combine in commitment to
4 community, there emerge among the distinguished few, certain individuals that merit special
5 recognition. Mayor Donna Pittman is one such individual; and

6 WHEREAS, given that March serves as Women's History Month, it is appropriate and fitting
7 to bestow this special recognition on Mayor Pittman for her distinguished career and myriad
8 of contributions to the City of Doraville and the State of Georgia; and

9 WHEREAS, Mayor Pittman is a native of DeKalb County and longtime resident of the City
10 of Doraville; and

11 WHEREAS, she has displayed an unwavering commitment to improving her community
12 long before becoming an elected official. Mayor Pittman studied criminal justice and other
13 aspects of law enforcement early in her career and served with the DeKalb County Sheriff's
14 Office; and

15 WHEREAS, in 2005, Donna Pittman launched her career of firsts when she was elected to
16 the Doraville City Council, where she quickly established a reputation for servant leadership,
17 collaboration, and pragmatic problem solving; and

18 WHEREAS, in February 2011, in the wake of her predecessor's succumbing of illness,
19 Councilwoman Pittman, as Mayor Pro Tempore, was vaulted to the Office of Mayor where
20 she ushered in comfort and stability during a tumultuous time; and

21 WHEREAS, later that year, Acting Mayor Pittman decisively won a three-way race to
22 become the City of Doraville's first female Mayor; and

23 WHEREAS, since her ascent to the office in 2011, Mayor Pittman's accomplishments
24 include: an historic expansion of the City's boundary, a series of park and other public
25 improvements, and the building the economic development infrastructure necessary to foster
26 the unprecedented new urbanist revival of the former GM site now known as "Assembly";
27 and

28 WHEREAS, Mayor Pittman is one of the original members of the board of directors that
29 helped establish Peachtree Charter Middle School and she has served on the DeKalb Board
30 of Education Advisory Board, and she continues to support public education from early
31 childhood development to lifelong learning for all; and

32 WHEREAS, Mayor Pittman, a devoted wife of a Marine and mother of four, continues to
33 provide exemplary leadership and commitment to Doraville as it continues serve as a catalyst
34 for state and regional growth.

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
36 the members of this body commend Mayor Donna Pittman for outstanding public service to
37 the City, region, and state.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
39 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
40 Mayor Donna Pittman.