

House Resolution 830

By: Representatives Glaize of the 67th, Thomas of the 65th, Jackson of the 68th, Jones of the 60th, and Schofield of the 63rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mayor Betty Hannah; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Mayor Betty Hannah on January 6, 2024; and
- 4 WHEREAS, born on July 3, 1937, in Fairburn, Georgia, she served the City of Fairburn for
5 more than 28 years as a city council member and as mayor, dedicating herself to the
6 improvement and development of the city; and
- 7 WHEREAS, as the first female and longest-serving mayor of the City of Fairburn, Mayor
8 Betty Hannah focused on Fairburn's downtown area during her distinguished tenure,
9 recognizing and preserving the character of the city's original transportation district and
10 banking community as well as its proximity to the CSX railroad; and
- 11 WHEREAS, in 2008, the city dedicated a building to Mayor Betty Hannah in its newly built
12 education campus, a project she was instrumental in developing; and
- 13 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage to her husband, Ray, and was blessed with
14 three remarkable children, Ray Jr., Robert, and Ron; and

15 WHEREAS, Mayor Betty Hannah gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals,
16 and deep concern for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she
17 demonstrated to her family and friends were admired by others; and

18 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
19 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made of her life,
20 she made this world a better place in which to live; and

21 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Mayor Betty Hannah will long be
22 remembered for her love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who
23 had the great fortune of knowing her.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mayor Betty Hannah and
26 express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
29 family of Mayor Betty Hannah.