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House Resolution 924

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the 2024 Bayard-Rustin/Audre Lorde Breakfast; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, we proudly recognize the 2024 Bayard-Rustin/Audre Lorde Breakfast for its
- 3 23 years of service in educating communities about the life and contributions of Bayard
- 4 Rustin, Audre Lorde, and other activists; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the Rustin-Lorde Breakfast, rooted in Black LGBTQ organizing, convenes a
- 6 multiracial, inter-generational platform for mobilization; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the Bayard Rustin/Audre Lorde Breakfast, founded in January 2002, offers
- 8 attendees the opportunity to connect before participating in the Martin Luther King Jr.
- 9 March. It educates communities about the life and contributions of Bayard Rustin, Audre
- 10 Lorde, and other activists, enhancing mutual support and continued learning among
- 11 participants working for social justice; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Co-founder Roshelle Darlene Hudson envisioned the breakfast as a fellowship
- 13 space for LGBT people to gather before joining the Martin Luther King Jr. March and Rally
- 14 on MLK Day; and

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15 WHEREAS, this work is vital in promoting the agency and well-being of Black and LGBTQ

- 16 individuals, as well as those who are otherwise gender/sex non-conforming in the South; and
- 17 WHEREAS, this annual event is held on the national Martin Luther King Jr. holiday with the
- 18 support of the MLK Jr. March organizers, serving as a precursor to the Atlanta MLK Jr.
- 19 march/parade.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 21 the members of this body recognize the importance of the annual Bayard-Rustin/Audre Lorde
- 22 Breakfast and extend best wishes for a memorable and successful 23rd celebration on
- 23 January 15, 2024.
- 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 26 public and the press.