

House Resolution 671

By: Representative Kelley of the 16<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Vanessa Holmes as a 2015 honoree of the Martin Luther King, Jr., Celebration  
2 Community Service Awards; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Vanessa Holmes has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the  
4 vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the welfare  
5 of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, she has the distinction of being named a 2015 honoree of the Martin Luther  
7 King, Jr., Celebration Community Service Awards; and

8 WHEREAS, she has served as youth director for the past 18 years at Morning Star Baptist  
9 Church, where she also serves as choir director; and

10 WHEREAS, she utilized her talents and leadership for the betterment of her community by  
11 founding the first Polk County Black History Parade; and

12 WHEREAS, she wrote small skits that were performed at Morning Star Baptist Church and  
13 other churches in the community; later, she extended these skits into plays that have now  
14 been performed at the Nathan Dean Center; and

15 WHEREAS, in each of these capacities, she has worked with great diligence and  
16 effectiveness to improve the quality of life enjoyed by the citizens of this state; and

17 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,  
18 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state; and

19 WHEREAS, her significant organizational and leadership talents, her remarkable patience  
20 and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of  
21 this state have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and associates; and

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

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

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
27 the members of this body recognize Vanessa Holmes as a 2015 honoree of the Martin Luther  
28 King, Jr., Celebration Community Service Awards and commend her outstanding service to  
29 her community.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
32 Vanessa Holmes.