

House Resolution 426

By: Representatives Holly of the 111th, Smyre of the 135th, Thomas of the 56th, Bruce of the 61st, Bentley of the 139th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating and commending the Atlanta University Center Consortium on the grand
2 occasion of its 90th anniversary and recognizing March 29, 2019, as Atlanta University Day
3 at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the Atlanta University Center Consortium consists of Clark Atlanta University,
5 Spelman College, Morehouse College, and the Morehouse School of Medicine, four
6 historically black colleges and universities in southwest Atlanta, Georgia, and it has
7 established a glowing reputation of renown as the largest contiguous consortium of African
8 Americans in higher education in the United States; and

9 WHEREAS, the Atlanta University Center (AUC) was created on April 1, 1929, when John
10 Hope, then president of both Morehouse College and Atlanta University, saw the potential
11 gains from such a consortium; and

12 WHEREAS, the former Atlanta University, Spelman College, and Morehouse College signed
13 an affiliation agreement and became the original members of the AUC; Clark College and
14 Morris Brown College joined in 1957, the Interdenominational Theological Center soon
15 followed in 1959, and Morehouse School of Medicine entered into the consortium in 1983;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, the Atlanta University Center Consortium has been dedicated to providing
18 unparalleled advancements in the pursuit of knowledge and remains steadfastly committed
19 to the highest principles of academic excellence; and

20 WHEREAS, this outstanding institution has had a tremendous impact on its community, the
21 State of Georgia, and the United States of America through its students, faculty, and alumni
22 who have gone on to make the world a better place in which to live; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
24 extraordinary academic consortium be appropriately recognized.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body congratulate the Atlanta University Center Consortium on the
27 grand occasion of its 90th anniversary, commend it for its many outstanding contributions
28 on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, and recognize March 29, 2019, as Atlanta University
29 Day at the state capitol.

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 the
32 Atlanta University Center Consortium.