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HOUSE RESOLUTION 980

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1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING NORTH CAROLINA NATIVE SUSAN HILL, A
2 CHAMPION FOR WOMEN'S HEALTH CARE AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH
3 CARE SERVICES.

4 Whereas, Susan Hill, a native of Durham, North Carolina, graduated from Charles
5 E. Jordan High School in 1966 and earned a degree in social work from Meredith College in
6 1970; and

7 Whereas, Susan Hill spent a number of years as a social worker in the State of
8 Florida, where she witnessed firsthand the need for women's health care and reproductive
9 health care services; and

10 Whereas, Susan Hill was cofounder and CEO of the National Women's Health
11 Organization, which established clinics in Raleigh and a number of other cities mainly in the
12 southeastern United States to provide women's health care and reproductive health care
13 services; and

14 Whereas, despite receiving death threats and having her clinics vandalized, fire
15 bombed, and targeted by protesters, Susan Hill devoted her life to ensuring that all women,
16 without regard to race, creed, color, or income, had access to high-quality health care and
17 reproductive health care services; and

18 Whereas, in 2007, Susan Hill was presented with the Nancy Susan Reynolds Award,
19 also known as "North Carolina's Nobel Prize," the State's highest honor for public advocacy in
20 the face of personal risk and, in 2009, received both the North Carolina Planned Parenthood
21 Margaret Sanger Award and NOW's Woman of Courage Award; and

22 Whereas, some of Susan Hill's other recognitions and awards include the North
23 Carolina Equity 2000 Carpathian Award Nominee, Raleigh NOW Award in 1999, North
24 Carolina NOW Equality for Women Award in 1994, Fund for Feminist Majority Feminist of
25 the Year Award in 1994, and NOW Unsung Hero Award in 1989; and

26 Whereas, Susan Hill died on January 30, 2010, at the age of 61; Now, therefore,
27 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

28 **SECTION 1.** The House of Representatives expresses its appreciation to Susan
29 Hill for her work in ensuring that women of all backgrounds in this State and the southeastern
30 United States have access to health care and reproductive health care services.

31 **SECTION 2.** The House of Representatives extends its sympathy to the family of
32 Susan Hill for the loss of a beloved family member.

33 **SECTION 3.** The Principal Clerk shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution
34 to the family of Susan Hill.

35 **SECTION 4.** This resolution is effective upon adoption.

