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House Resolution 1585

By: Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Petrea of the 166th, Sainz of the 180th, Pirkle of the 169th, and Cannon of the 172nd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Debra Yvonne Dixon McCarthy; 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 Debra Yvonne Dixon McCarthy on June 18, 2023; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Debra Yvonne Dixon McCarthy was born on May 11, 1957, in Blackshear,
- 5 Georgia, a beloved daughter of Harry and Yvonne Sellers DePratter; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she was fondly known as "Nannie Mac" and loved nothing more than spending
- 7 time with her family especially her grandbabies; and
- 8 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, she was an active member of Satilla
- 9 Missionary Baptist Church; and
- 10 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage to her husband, Ralph "Mac" McCarthy,
- and was blessed with three remarkable children, Sheena, Trent, and Anthony; and four
- 12 wonderful grandchildren, Briley, Bryston, Bricee, and Ella; and

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WHEREAS, she lost her life in a tragic car accident, killed by a drunk driver who was also

- 14 operating with a suspended license; and
- 15 WHEREAS, she was with her granddaughter who was driving with a valid learner's driving
- permit, when he left his lane swerving into oncoming traffic going approximately 77 mph
- and her granddaughter died upon impact and she passed away en route to the hospital; and
- WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern
- 19 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to
- 20 her family and friends were admired by others; and
- 21 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
- 22 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made of her life,
- 23 she made this world a better place in which to live; and
- 24 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, she will long be remembered for her
- 25 love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great
- 26 fortune of knowing her.
- 27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 28 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Debra Yvonne Dixon
- 29 McCarthy and express their deepest and most sincere regret at her passing.
- 30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 32 family of Debra Yvonne Dixon McCarthy.